HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd, 1887.

THE HONGKONG LAND COMMIS-SION'S INQUIRIES.

The series of questions issued by the Land Commission, which we reproduced in yesterday's issue, raise a large number of points of the most rital importance to the welfare of the colony. The time has arrived when the land question must be dealt with, and on the manner in which it is dealt with the future prosperity of the place will greatly depend. In the first place the question of titles has to be considered. The greatest confusion at present exists in this matter, especially as regards lots sold in the early days of the colony, the exact boundaries of which it is now in many cases absolutely im-

Questions sixty and sixty-one deal with the important subject of the redemption of Crown rents. The questions are as follows :-

60.—Crown rents are reserved by every Lesse and Licenco, viz. Marine, Inland: Farm, Rural Building, and Gardon Lot Lease and Equatters Licenses. Do-you consider as regards the Marine and Inland Lot Leases for 909 years and Rural Building Lot Leases for 75 years that advantages would accrue to the colony generally and the value of property become more assured if the Leaseholders had the option of redeeming the Crown rents. These Crown rents vary very considerably, some properties paying more than one hundred times as much as other properties of equal value, and, unless something is done, this equality will continue with respect to Leases for 999 years, practically, for ever. Is there any reason why this inequality should continue, and if not what do you consider a fair price for the Leaseholder to pay for its redemption? Would 20 years' purchase be too

61 -In your opinion would the opportunity of redeeming ground rents be taken advantage of to any The present yield of Crown rent is about \$170,000 per annum. Twenty years purchase would amount

to \$3,400,000. In consideration of the very large re-

mirements for public works is there any reason why this amount should not be raised? The idea of the redemption of the Crown rents is one which we hope will be combatted most strenuously. Nothing, we think, could be more economically false, as may readily be seen from the figures given in the sixty-first question. The present yield of Crown rent is about \$170,000 per anum, and twenty years' purchase would amount to \$3,400,000. A public loan can be floated at 4 per cent., or at most 41 per cent. At the latter rate the interest on \$3,400,000 would amount to \$153,000. Al. lowing another i per cent, for a sinking fund, by which the loan would be naid off in fifty years, the interest would be \$170,000. or the same amount as the Grown rents. If the Crown rents be redeemed, at the end of fifty years the colony would be minus its revenue from this source without being in possession of any equivalent advantage. What the proposal amounts to is really to exchange an annual revenue of \$170,000 in perpetuity for a saving of the trouble of collecting it and paying it away in interest for fifty years. As to the in-Crown rent into consideration in arranging the price, and there the matter ends. It causes no trouble to the Government, except when extensions are applied for and the inequality is introduced into the rent of one and the same holding, and even in these cases it cannot be very much; beyoud the saving of this slight amount of trouble in the Government departments no public advantage would be served by es-

tablishing equality at the expense of the revenue from Crown rents. Question 87 reads as follows:-

87.—In future sales of Crown Lands is there any have entirely lost its interest in the land, demoralised. If China is to have an efficient of the present decennial term. polists, who would be able to exact their own thoroughly trained, and no civil official, Treaties conferring upon China the terms in the shape of rent and would bear however great his influence, however intimate right to demand their revision? no part of the burden of taxation. In a his acquaintance with the classics, must be remembered that the Treaties births and deaths for the year 1886. small place like Hongkong, where land is be pitchforked into the command. Unfortun- were really the terms imposed upon a debeing taken up so rapidly, it is of the greatest ately for the efficiency of the public services, feated combatant, that they were naturally possible importance that the system of dis- the Chinese Government have uniformly dis- one-sided and contain concessions reluctantly posing of the land should be the best in the couraged the young men who have been made. This will account for the absence of public interest. To sell the land outright trained abroad. Instead of utilising these any stipulation in the revision chauses conwould be the best in the interests of capita- men in the positions for which their educa- ferring on China the right to domand a relists who wished to buy it, but it would tion and training have fitted them, the Go- vision of the political provisions of the be disastrous to the interest generally of vernment have relegated them to subor- Treaties. The only reference to revision trade and of the community. Instead of dinate offices in departments where their contained in the British Treaty of Tientsia sweeping away Crown rents, therefore, we talents and acquisitions are completely is embodied in Article XXVII. which reads would advocate their periodical readjustment, | thrown away. In fact, it is not too much as under :so that the colony should share with the to say that all Chinese who have come un- It is agreed that either of the High Contracting landowner the advantage of the unearned der foreign influence of any sort or had Parties to this Treaty may demand a further revision increment. Such a system could not be ap- any experience in foreign countries have of the Tariff, and of the Commercial Articles of this Treaty, at the end of ten years; but if no demand bo plied to land already disposed of, but with so far, on their return to China, been made on either side within six months after the end regard to that which still remains the Gov- viewed with ill-disguised distrust by the of the first ten years, then the Tariff shall remain in ernment is bound to make the best bargain Authorities, and either kept back in the ser- the preceding ten years; and so it shall be, at the bon, gentleman were:—" Provided this section it can. The leases might contain a coven- vice or deprived of all chance of making end of each successive ten years. ant for the readjustment of the Crown rent their knowledge and experience of value to This confers on China the right to ask and Military Services. Government servants, Further consideration of the clause was then at intervals of fifty or seventy-five years ac- the State. The predecessor of the Marquis for a revision of the Tariff and Commercial Justices of the Peace, or special or common deferred. cording to a valuation of the land to be ar- Tanne in the post of Minister to England, Articles, but the reference is clearly limited Jurors. rived at on equitable principles, and with a the worthy Kwo Sung-TAO, was promptly to the subjects so explicitly mentioned, and proviso giving liberal compensation for im- consigned to obscurity on his return to cannot, even by implication, we think, be viewed as coming within the provisions of the Ordinance who shall have joined the Triad That the provision of the haller haids. provements in the event of the holder being Peking, and the same fate may yet overtake construed to apply to the whole Treaty. The unwilling to pay an increased rental. Such a the Marquis himself if he continues to talk French Treaty of Tientsin contains a stiouform of lease would act in no way as a check much about China having slept in " the lation in Article XXVII. that the Tariff on the improvement of land, though it would vacuous vortex of the storm of forces wildly " may be revised every seven years," and the naval and military officers." have an appreciable effect in reducing the whirling around her." upset price. The present loss from this Much of the foregoing applies with times over in the long run. We do not not Chinese Army. Civil officials are allowed to modifications à quelques unes des clauses du présent marine. wish to be understood as advocating the interfere with and override the military tions avec le gouvernement Chinois après un intervalle "abolition of landlordism:" what rights officers, who are moreover regarded as an in- de dix années révolues, à partir de l'échange des have already been acquired must of course ferior caste. The pay of the troops is contibe respected, but with regard to the Crown | nually in arrear and they are often defraud. This latter applies to the whole treaty, but lands still undisposed of the Government is ed of a large portion of the miserable pittance it certainly confers no rights of revision on they to carry arms: not only free to make the best contracts it due. There is no organised commissariat. China. Article XXXIV. of the American can, but is also bound to consider the in- transport, or medical service attached to Treaty of 1844 runs :terests of future generations as well as those | the army, and as an inevitable consequence

of the present. crowding, it is certain that some means ency or necessity, the shocking indifference appointed to conduct such negotiation. of relief must be found, and that very to the waste of life which he ever character. Like the British Treaty of 'li ntsin this speedily. The construction of tramways to ised Chinese military operations. The army refers to the Commercial Article. The Ger-

and Military Authorities have been the ob. At present the Chinese Government rely United States is the right formally conceded stacle. Could not a middle course be adopted entirely upon water carriage for the trans- to China to demand a revision of the articles with regard to the removal of the establish- port of their troops. But how could troops dealing with the residence and government ments which would be to the advantage of be convoyed in transports if the coast were of foreign subjects in China. There is, how- a gun. the legal technicalities of the subject, we all parties? The Military require more room, rigorously blockaded by a strong squadron ever, nothing to prevent her putting forward may at once express our decided opinion—an and when the Garrison is increased will have of fast cruisers? How, again, could troops the demand. But will it be entertained? It opinion which we believe is entertained also to secure it. The course we would suggest be effectively moved to the northwest provin- is true that she can quote Article XVIII. of new ones, based on a new and complete survey, Naval Yard occupies, exacting in return be issued. Then, comes the question of the a surrender of all exclusive rights to be impossible to send troops thither in time modification of any stipulation contained in this transfer of titles. The general opinion as the foreshore. The Prays junction could to prevent it, but if that port were connected to this will no doubt be that all autiquated then be carried out, and ready access by railway with Tientsin this might in the fications of this Trenty, to open negotiations to that and cumbrous legal formalities should be would be afforded to the eastern district, ordinary course be readily accomplished. In effect. Six months before the expiration of the ten and cumbrous legal formalities should be would be afforded to the eastern district, ordinary course be result accomplished. It was either of the Contracting Parties may officially done away with and the sale and transfer of which would then speedily develop and a country like China, which is destitute of notify to the other that me lifeations of the Treaty landed property be made as simple as the relieve the overcrowding in the western roads along which the baggage of an army are desired, and in what these consist. If no such dent of Police as the person to whom the monthsale and transfer of property of any other part of the town. A tramway would can be conveyed except at a snail's pace and the water frontage of Victoria, whether it was the great contres of population are of excepextended to the villages or not. In order not tional importance from a military and strato adopt the overhead system of rails, as in the Franco-Chineso hostilities, but with the thither, and it is hardly likely that the great some of the American cities. This, however,

necessary to enter at present. The import-Praya, for the narrow Queen's-road is much too small an artery for the traffic which ought to exist between east and west, and would exist if it were afforded facilities. Other useful measures to relieve the overcrowding may be devised, but the first and most important point is to render the eastern district readily accessible from the west Even with the present inconveniences communication the population is flowing that direction and sents are advancing in

CHINA'S AWAKENING. In his paper on "China : the Sleep and the Awakening," the Marquis Tarne, with perhaps pardonable exuitation, is sanguine shough to believe that the awakening has have napping in order that she may win the come. He instances what has been done in the direction of conet defence and the formation of a navy ma proof of the fact, and then goes on to remark that China will proceed steadily THE MARQUIS TSENG AND THE with the organisation of the army and navy st without, for the present, directing her attention either to the introduction of railways,

build others as expensive elsewhere. It is very army and navy. The construction of certain vision of the tariff is specially secured. important, however, that the Praya should lines of railway is essential to any well de- It will thus be seen that in none of the be made continuous, and hitherto the Naval signed scheme of coast and internal defence. Treaties with the European Powers or the very soon run along the whole extent of on the backs of coolies, railways to connect to interfere with the carriage of goods across tegic point of view. Even the prejudiced mandarinate were brought to see this during conclusion of peace came a certain amount is a question of detail-into which it is not of reaction against the innovation, and the The Chinese Government will probably cire introduction of the iron way has again been

ant point is to obtain the continuous postponed indefinitely. The work of coast defence and the increase and improvement of the navy is still going on, it is true, in a leisurely way, but progress in other directions is slow indeed. The long slumber of the ancient empire may be over, the trance of centuries may be concluded, but is there no danger of the hoary giantess falling into a new torpor from which she can only be awakened, by another clarion note of war? Is not the concluding sentence of the Marquis's eloquent declaration only ton characteristic of his nation, wherein he says : -"The world is not so near its end that she need hurry, nor the circles of the sun so nearly done that she will not have time to play the rôle assigned her in the work of nations"? Is this an age in which a processfinating policy can be successfully pursued: can the tortoise count, in these days of keen

competition and jealous emulation, upon the

REVISION OF THE TREATIES. or to any of the other subjects of internal Marquis Taxing's recent remarkable political fear that there is little chance of their being economy which, under the altered circum- pronunciamento is contained in the closing realised for many years to come. If the wast believe a great number of guilds of all sorts and stances of the times, may be necessary, and paragraphs, which deal with China's re-, body of official dom in the Central Kingdom descriptions in the colony. which she feels to be necessary; for, unlike lations with. Western Powers. He says that were as enlightened as himself it would be a Turkey, she will not fall into the mistake of while any soreness which China may have different thing, but while corruption and these societies ay be registered. We might have thinking that when she has got a few ships experienced on account of events in 1860 has venality reign in every department of the and a few soldiers licked into form, she has been bealed over and forgotten long ago, it public service, while the administration of done all that is required to maintain ber is otherwise with the treaties which were justice is too often a mere burlesque, while position in the race of nations." This may then imposed upon her. That those were her prisons are noisoing dens in which poor ing once a year, and sometimes an extraordinary be sound policy, but it is not enough if it be imposed upon China must be admitted; she wretches are left to rot untried, and while tor- meeting. desired to place the nation in a position to did not propose the terms; as the defeated ture and barbaric crushy disgrace her criminal. The CHIEF JUSTICE—But the meetings are repel attack. Much has been done; the party she was fain to accept the conditions code, so long will civilised states refuse, at not open to the public generally. count defences have been strengthened; the of the conquerors. But the Marquis any cost, to place their subjects or citizens navy is gradually assuming quite important intimates that these treaties gall Chinese under Chinese jurisdiction. The time will the sixtieth question, we fail to see that they dimensions; a large proportion of the troops susceptibilities, and says that China cannot come, of course, when China will obtain the meetings or not open ordinarily. in any way affect the principle. The buyers is now fairly armed. It is, however, little continue to lie out of the sovereign rights concession, and "play the rôle assigned her Hon. Woss Shine said the Chinese mergood acquiring costly ships, if the first con- she has been compelled to surrender by the in the work of nations," but if her statesmen chants, experters and importers, had guilds. sideration on the breaking out of hostilities Treaties. He goes on to remark :- " In the see no reason to harry on reforms in the be a place of security in which to hide them alienation of sovereign dominion over that administration of justice, neither will the guild, Mr. Wong Shing, has it not? from the enemy. It is notorious that the part of her territory comprised in foreign Treaty Powers see reason to hasten the time Pei-yang Squadron systematically kept out settlements at the treaty ports, as well as in for the revision of the Treaties. of the way during the Franco-Chinese war, some other respects. China feels that the and we know on good authority the main treaties impose on her a condition of things object of the native officers and crews was which, in order to avoid the evils they have HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL to keep out of sight of the French vessels. | lod to in other countries, will oblige her to The mere possession of a fleet will prove of denounce these treaties on the expiry of the little advantage in time of war unless it is present decennial period. China is not Council was held on the 18th February. There manned by fighting men. The system under ignorant of the difficulties in which this were present :which the Chinese Navy is officered is action may involve her, but she is resolved eggentially had, and so long as it is possible to face them, rather than incur the cerfor an ignorant land-in bber to purchase a tainty of some day having to encounter be charged, or is it advisable that the value of the command, as is now the case, it is impossible greater ones; evils similar to those which Crown Reat should be considered in the upset price? that efficiency or discipline can ever be at have led to the Land of the Feliah concern-The same principle applies here. To include | tained. Of course on board the vessels under | ing nobody so little as the Khedive." It will the Crown rent in the upset price would se- the command of foreign officers, where suffi- be noted that in the foregoing is a distinct cure a larger lump sum at the moment, but | cient power is given them, discipline can be announcement that China will in 1888 dein the long run the colony would be the loser. maintained and the crew will no floubt in mand a revision of the Treaties. The Mar-The amount of building land in the island | time acquire a knowledge both of seaman- quis adds in conclusion :- "In her efforts to is very limited, and the time will arrive ship and gunnery. But the services of eliminate from the treaties such articles as when the Government will practically have foreign instructors are too often capricious- impede her development, and wound her just no more ground to sell. When that time ar- ly dispensed with before, half their work is susceptibilities, without conferring on the rives, if Crown rents are done away with the done, a mandarin unacquainted with the first other contracting parties any real advantages, colony will be minus the whole of its land rudiments of navigation or science gets the China will surely proceed to diplomatic acrevenue, and the amount will have to be command, and in an incredibly short period tion." Here then we have due notice that raised from other sources. The Crown-in discipline ceases, corruption commences, the the Chinese Government intend to ask for other words, the community asawhole-would officers grow careless, and the crew become the abolition of extra-territoriality at the end which would be in the bands of a few mono- navy every officer appointed to it must be But is there any provision in the

first clause of Article XL, reads :-

Si dorónavent le gouvernement de Sa Majesté l'Em-

erests of future generations as well as those the ermy, and as an inevitable consequence finitively concluded, it shall be obligatory on both the unhappy soldiers suffer unspeakable powers, and its provisions shall not be altered with their uniform.

The questions of over-crowding, the local misery in any campaign in which they outgrave cause; but, inasmuch as the circumstances His Excellency—I don't see why you should they tion of the military and naval establishments, may be engaged. The fighting material of the several ports of China open to foreign communo the connection of the eastern and western may be plentiful enough in the eighteen able modifications are requisite in these parts which Prayas, and the construction of tramways provinces, but the fact that millions are relate to commerce and navigation; in which case the are all raised in the interrogatories issued available to take the place of those who fall two governments will, at the expiration of twelve an armed picket is sent ashere? I saw one the by the Land Commission. As to over- will not justify, on grounds either of expedi- concerning the same, by the means of suitable persons. His Expedi-

this direction, and the lines would very soon it is the practice to suddenly disband the lation as the French Treaty of 1860, and the pay intere t on the capital invested. The men without providing them with the means revision clause of the Swedish Treaty is in removal of the naval and military establish. to enable them to return to their own pro- the same terms as the American Treaty; the removal of the naval and military establish. to enable them to return to their own pro- the same terms as the American Treaty; the petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with some men from a The Acting Attorney-General suggested petty officers landed armed with suggested pet of the town, but the cost would be enormous, giving them a pension in case of disablement, the British Treaty of Tientsin, with a stipuand more than the Colony could convenient. Nor can we agree that it is true wisdom for lation in the two latter that, in the event of ly bear, at present at all events. The exist. the Chinese Government to postpone the con- any revision of the Tariff, they shall have the They should not have side arms and they had ing barracks are worth a very large sum, struction of railways even looked at from the right to participate in the negociations for side arms. and they would be almost useless for other narrow ground of the priority in importance the same. The Datch Treaty of 1863 conpurposes. The Colony would thus lose the of coast defence. This work should pro- tains a separate article in which this right your way to exempt officers of the mercantile of 1875 " passed through committee. value of the present buildings and have to ceed part passu with the organisation of the to take part in the negociations for any re-

equality in 1874 by a small state desiring to on the last day of the preceding month," instead obtain from the Peking Government formal permission for Chinese subjects to emigrate tice that'st the next meeting he would move that the case of Judiu, which country is now no The Acting Attorney-General said the gotiating the revision of her Treaties. But Jepan stands on an entirely different footing vis-a.vis Western States. Her treaties are based on somewhat more favourable grounds. as will be seen by reference to Articlo XXII. It is agreed that either of the High Contracting

bundre and seventy-two, with a view to the insertion thereof of such amondments as experience shall prove Japan vielded to Western pressure with tions between her and the Treaty Powers ponement. have not been embittered by acts of treachery ! such as led to the last China War. Thou Japanese Government have, too, laboured assiduously and perseveringly to bring Japa-

nese institutions and procedure into harmony

Parties to this Treaty, on giving one year's previous

notice to the other, may demand a revision thereof

g he abolition of extra-territoriality they l ropean State to another. Is China in a societies. position to do the same, and could the Western Powers rely up n her pledges? sympathise most sincerely with the patriotic The most important declaration in the aspirations of the Marquis Tarne, but we

A meeting of the Hongkoug Legislative gistering, is it not? His EXCEPLENCY THE ACTING GOVERNOR.

HON. W. H. MARSH, C.M.G. Hon. Sir GEORGE PHILLIPPO, Chief Justice. Hou. F. Stewart, Acting Colonial Secretary Hon. E.J. ACKROYD, Acting Attorney-Genera Hon. A. LISTER, Colonial Treasurer. Hon. P. RYRIE. Hon. Wong SHING.

Hog. A. P. MACEWEN. Hon, J. BELL-IBVING. Hon. C. P. CHATES. Mr. A. BETH, Clerk of Councils.

MINUTES. The minutes of the last meeting were read

A minute by His Excellency the Acting Governor recommending a vote of \$1.800 for the payment of six foremen of street cleansing was referred to the Finance Committee.

TITAL STATISTICS. The ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the table the Registrar-General's returns of

THE PREVENTION OF CRIMES BILL. The Acting Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance for the more effectual prevention of crime." His EXCELLENCY—This is an Ordinance for the supervision of discharged prisoners ? The Acting Attorner-General-Yes, for

police supervision. The Bill was read a first time.

THE ARMS BILL. The Council resumed consideration in committee of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to regulate the corrying and possession of arms" The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved an addition to section 3. The section provides a penalty for carrying arms without reasonable excuse. The words proposed to be added by the shall not apply to officers in 'er Majesty's Naval would not come within the definition clause.

Hon. A. P. MACEWEN-Is it necessary to

so. The Bill otherwise applies to every one. Hon. A. P. MACEWEN-I would suggest "all had better be omitted. Everyone accused would The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL-"AU naval and military officers" I think would not cause would, however, be made up many equal force to the administration of the percur des Français jugeat convenable d'apporter des effect your object. You wish to except the [Hon. A. P. MACEWEN-No; officers of for-

> The Acting Attorney-General-The fear he joined. nuestion is whether foreign officers should be exempt. The question arises, what need have sertion of the words " who shall show to the His Excellency-When they come ashore The CHIEF JUSTICE-The question is whether, to pay official visits they carry arms. The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL-That

eign powers.

not say "naval and military officers," leaving out speaking to a Chinaman the other day who is the words "Her Majesty's." Hon. P. RYRIE-Is it a reasonable excuse i

His Excellency—Not from a foreign vessel Hon. P. Ryang-I have seen a picket from a Spanish man-of-war His Excellency—That would be a cause of framed which would meet the same object. Shaukiwan and Aberdeen would operate in | will, moreover, never be popular so long as | man Treaty of 1861 contains the same stipu- | protest immediately.

see them. I . a much surprised. His Examinary-I know in Mauritius some cused and the matter was referred home. Hon. P. RYRIE-That is what I object to.

Hon. A. P. MACEWEN-Could you not see doubts as to the application of Ordinance No. 2

His EXCELLENCY-I don't think they ought Hon. A. P. MACEWEN-But officers bolonging to the various local companies ? His Excellency-But why should they have night. arms? We don't carry arms when we go about Hon. A. P. MACEWEN-But you might have

His Excellency—But he would have it on board ship. The law would not interfere with him while he had it on board ship. The clause was amended by substituting the

ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL, by substituting the Registrar-General'sofficens the place at which dealers in arms are required to register for the Central Police Station. An amendment would adjourn until next Friday week. was also made in clause 9 by substituting the Registrar-General for the Captain-Superintenthose return shall show "the number and des-This treaty was, however, made on terms of cription of arms remaining in their possession of "all arms imported or bought by them."

The Acting Attorney-General gave nothe Bill be read a third time.

THE PROTECTION OF YOUNG GIRLS. next order was to go into committee on the Bill entitled "An Ordinance for the better protection and E. S. Whealler.

Hon. P. RYRIE said the unofficial members had had the proposed amondments in their hands only since the previous day and they of the British Treaty of 1858, which reads :- had not had time to consider them. He would propose, therefore, that the consideration of the Bill in committee be postpoued until the next

on or after the first of July, one thousand eight | . His Excellency asked the Acting Attorney-General if he had any objection to the proposition. The Acting Attorney-General said he had not. He laid the amendment on the table last week and had hoped they would are been circubetter grace than did China, and the related scoper. He had no objection to the post-

The order was postponed accordingly. THE TRIAD SOCIETY BILL.

The Council went into committee on the Bill cutitled "An Ordinance for the suppression of the Triad Society and other secret societies and with those of Western States, and in demand- for the punishment of the members thereof." Clause 2 declares the Triad Society illegal offer guarantees and promise concessions and provides penalties for the managers and equal and similar to those given by one Eu- members of the Triad Society and other secret

> The CHIEF JUSTICE -- What is a secret society? The ACTING ATTORNET-GENERAL-I suppose it is a society that does not publicly announce its meetings or that is a secret society. 'The CHIEF JUSTICE-Any society not open Dividend account, unpaid to the public is a secret society and there are I

> The Active Attorney-General-Well, HIS EXCELLINEY-Would the Chamber of Cash on hand Commerce not be a secret society ? Hon. P. RYRIE-No; we have a public meet- Hougkong and Shanghai Bank, current

Hon. P. RYRIE-On some occasions we in-ENCY-You "invite," but the

The CHIEF JUSTICE—Pivery trade has a Hon. Wong Shing-Yes. The CHIEF JUSTICE-The trouble is then, as it seems to me, that supposing the Police were to see a number of Chinese meeting together in some place or other, they could not know whether

it was a secret society or not. HIS EXCELLENCY—But that is done by re-The CHIEF JUSTICE-But the thing is to know what a secret society is, what you mean to strike at. There is no definition of secret Interest account society here.

The Acting Attorney-General-There was a definition in the Ordinance which would home in 1854. That might be inserted. Ordinances 1 and 12 of 1845 did not give any de-Hon. J. BELL-IRVING-Could you not insert

after the words "The Triad Society and other secret societies" the words " of that nature?" The CHIEF JUSTICE—But then we don't know what the nature of a secret society is. His Excellency-I think the best way would be to have a definition clause.

will prepare one for the next meeting. Hon. P. RYEEE-Could not you insert the words "dangerous to the peace and good order

The Acting Attorney-General-But then you could not declare a society dangerous until you knew what it was. Clause 2 was then passed on the understanding that a definition clause would be introduced.

In clause 7, which provides a penalty for attending unlawful assemblies, the words "ou summary conviction" were inserted in place of the words "on conviction in the Supreme ourt" A similar alteration was made in clause 8. Clause 9, which gave a definiti n of the word "member of a society," was struck out, the CHURT JUSTICE stating that the definition should

be included in the definition clause. Hon. P. Rykie moved as an amendment to planse 11, which provides that the Ordinance shall not apply to any duly constituted Masonic Lodge, the addition of the words "or Lodge of Good Templars, Foresters, or any other society the meeting of which would not be nolawful in Great Britain. His EXCELLENCY-I think we had better let

this clause be deferred. The CRIEF JUSTICE-Yas, " would be better to defer it until we see when is declared to be an unlawful assembly in the definition clause. It is possible the societies mentioned by Mr. Ryris Clause 12 provides that no person shall be con-

sidered as coming within the provisions or intent The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL-I think designs or under the influence of terror. Hon. P. RYRIE said he thought this clause say he had joined under the influence of terror. Hon. Wong Suing said a great many Chiners joined the Triad Society through fear.

The Acting Attorney-General said the clause was taken from Ordinance 12 of 1845. The CHIEF JUSTICE said be supposed there was no one who would not say it was through The COLON'AL TREASURER suggested the in-

satisfaction of the court." if the society is as dangerous as it is said to be. they would not dread the society more than the The ACTING. COLONIAL SECRETARY-I Was

"suppose I happened to be seized by any of these men, do you ink I could resist? It would be a question of ining the society or being murdered. Of course I would join the society." Hon. P. RYRIE-I move that this clause be struck out. Perhaps another clause might be His Excellence.-I think the clause must about the same at the end of every month.

it throwing the onus probandi on the person ac- month, but there are others which run on. postponed, which was assented to.

BILL ADVANCED. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance to remove

Hon. P. Evers said that as the Races would occupy a great part of next week he would move not really worth \$33.00 that the Council be adjourned to that day fort-His EXCELLENCY said he was going to ask ought to give us a little larger dividend.

the members if they could meet to-day for the consideration of the jury list. Monday would be mail day, on Tuesday the Chief Justice would not be here, and there was no other day that he It was then decided to meet this afternoon at to run the concorn with. three o'clock.

Hon. P. Rynra gave notice that he would posit account. again propose his motion this afternoon. His EXCELLENCY said the hon, member's motion would be accepted as a matter of course. After the meeting for the jury list the Council

HONGKONG AND CHINA BAKERY . accounts for last year.

The annual meeting of the shareholders in this company was held at the office of the General and then esthey come in we have to buy flour, &c. Manager, Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co., Hong- Mr. VAUCHER-I see you have no loss than kong, on the 18th February, some delay being \$1,562 for stock in hand. occasioned by the difficulty experienced in getting a quorum together. The chair was taken by Mr. H. Crawford, the other shareholders present being Captain T. T. Benning, Messrs. D. cCalloch, W. Legge, E. George, A. E. Vancher,

The following is the

The general managers have the pleasure to submit o the shareholders the usual statement of accounts for the year ending December last The business done does not equal that of the last | meeting if there are no more questions to be wo years, the result also has been less profitable, still asked. he general managers hope it will be satisfactory to the shareholders The net profit on the working account for this year

\$1.916.16 and the balance at profit and loss account The general managers recommend that a dividend of 10 per cent, be declared absorbing \$3,000, and that the balance of Sal 1.58 be carried to no account. The plant and machinery of the Company are in

The Consulting Committee,—Messra. T. T. Bousing, E. L. Woodin, J. D. Hutchison, H. Foss, and D. Me-Calloch-retire in accordance with the Articles of Association and are eligible for re-election. The accounts have been audited by Mr. E.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.

Whoaller, who may be re-elected LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.. General Managers. Hongkong, 12th February, 1887. BALANCE SHEET- \

LIABILITIES. Capital account .. Lane, Crawford & Co., commission ..

Real estate \$17,500,00 Stock on hand Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, deposit Invarance unexpired Outstanding accounts, 1680 .. Outstanding accounts, 1884 Outstanding secounts, 1885 O detan ing accounts, 1886 Potty cash WOEKING ACCOUNT. Salarius account Taxes account Stock acrount..... Insurance account...... Commission account Sales account \$17,769.61
Ontstanding accounts, 188 3,122.58

PROSIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT. Outstanding accounts, 1882 Outstanding accounts, 1883 Outsignding accounts, 1884 Outstanding accounts, 1880 Real estate depreciation Balance..... Balance from last year \$ 5,090.86 counts is always outstanding. The ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL Yes, I | Working account 2916.16

> The notice of the meeting having been read. the report before you, and I think we may take one fact you have last sight of. People do not it as read. There is not much to add to what is pay each for their bread; perhaps not for six stated in the report. The Directors are very months. sorry that there is only a ten per cent. dividend for the past year, as against 2 and 16 we have at all. had in former years; it is a heavy falling off. Mr. GEORGE-But they were exceptional

> to a decrease made in prices, a rise in the cost of like this. Put it in the form of an amendment, flour, and to an absence of outside work we and say that you on to to have a bigger dividend. have had in former years.

Mr. VAUCHER-Contracts. Mr. GEORGE-Competition has not increased, has it ? The CHAIRMAN-No. I do not think it has. but we have missed the outside work.

Mr. VAUCHER-Shipping contracts? The CHAIRMAN-Yes. Mr. GEORGE-Is there any increase in con. D. McCulloch, who ratire from the consulting sumption?

The RAIRMAN-There has been some increase, buttowing to the decrease in the prices ford be elected in the room f Mr. H. Foss, who charged it has not enabled us to add anything resigns wing to his having for home shortly. Mr. VAUCHER-There are three little ac-

counts—88 cents outstanding from .880, \$32.13 from 1884, and \$214.72 from 1855. I should re- Mr. Whealler as auditor. commend that steps be taken at once to settle these matters one way or the other, and if the amounts cannot be obtained they should be writ-

The CHAIRMAN-They would have been writy to-morrow. ten off if they had not been perfectly good. There are people whose pay is always good who are long winded. This small 88 cents carried over from 1880 would have been written off if it had not been purfectly good. Mr. VAUCHER-But such a small amount as

88 cents: he will surely pay that. Soud him down 20 cents, and he will send you back a dollar. If not it will surely be better to write it off. There is another question I should like to ask. I see among our assets you have \$5.9 3.61 for each in hand, \$4,000 in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank on deposit, \$986 in the Bank on the year 1886. carrent account, Jutstanding accounts for last year \$3,122.58, that will come in easily. This brings up a total of about \$14,000. I think, with all that capital, though we have earned so little; we could have had a better dividend than this. The CHAIRMAN-We cannot give you a better dividend than we have made; you see that ac-

tually we have not earned quite enough to pay the ten per cent, dividend. Mr. VAUCHER-But what are you keeping this money for P The CHAIRMAN—Out of the cash in hand we have to pay \$3,000 for the dividend.

Mr. VAUCHER-But then you have over \$3,000 for outstanding accounts. The CHAIRMAN-That is always outstanding;

Hon. P. TTRIE-Well, I am quite sure I did | be maintained, but you might add something to | We collect some accounts at the end of every Mr. VAUCHER-Anyhow we are keeping too much money. You have stock in hand to the

value of \$1,562 10 P The CHARLEMAN-Yes, that is what our stock is valued at. Mr. LEGRE-I should like to know what you

want to get at. Mr. VAUCHER-I want to know why we have so much money doing nothing. The CHARMAN-So much out at five per cent. When the Company took the business over the assets were really overvalued, they are

Mr. VAUCHER-Well reduce it then. Anyhow I say there is too much money, and you Mr. Legan-Certainly not; and if you were to think a little bit you would very soon see it. The CHAIRMAN-If you take off the amount that is to be paid for dividend from the cash in

hand you will see that there is only \$2,980 left Mr. VAUCHER-But there is the \$4,000 de-Mr. LEDGE—That cannot be touched.

Mr. VAUCHER-Why not?

Mr. Lugas Because it is on fixed deposit, We cannot touch that fixed deposit in the Bank, Mr. CCULLOCH-You have to take the amount of the dividend from the cash on hand; and you have also reckoned in the outstanding

The CHAIRMAN-We can only collect that as we go along, and we have to spend money to replace it as we do so At the end of the month there is always almost that amount outstanding,

The CHAIRMAN-You must have some stock. Captain Benning-When a ship comes in von must have some bisemits for her. You must keep a stock ready for such orders. Mr. VAUCHER -- isenits are soon baked Captain BENNING-Yes, but you see biscuits

will keep and we lik have them kept a bit so that they get band; it is good for their tooth, Vr. Legge-I beg to propose the adoption of this report and accounts. The CRAIRMAN-Well. I will put it to the

Mr. VAUCHER-I have not had a satisfactory answer to my question: I say there is too much

The CHAIRMAN-I think you have: there is only \$3,000 besides the stock in hand. We must have that. We must keep a stock of bisquits, and then there are all manner of things we have to keep—raising, angur, wedding favours. and I do not know what also beside. I have brought up with me a stock list. You must take of the \$3,000 for the dividend. Mr. VAUCHER-But you have \$3.122 out-

The CHAIRMAN-Yes, but that is an amount which is always outstanding. We never have that money in hand; it is always outstanding. Suppose we stop the concern at any moment there will always be about that amount to collect. Mr. McCulloch-It is a sort of revolving

Mr. VAUCHER-Yes, very much so: Mr. GEORGE-Yes, so would you be if you had been baked as much as those bisonits. The CHAIRMAN-Well, is this all the ques-Mr. VAUCHER-Yes, if you will not give me

S,514.58 tions you have to put to me? any more answer than you have. Do you really want this \$14,000 to work the concern with? The CHAIRMAN—But we have not got \$14,000. Mr. VAUCHER-Indeed you have.

The CHAIRMAN-How do you make it? Mr. VAUCHER -You have the \$5,983 cash on hand, 3936 on current account, then you have 986.72 83.122 for out-tunding accounts The CHAIRMAN-But those are always out-113.52 standing. You cannot get the amount in unless you stop the concern and get all the accounts in. Mr. VAUCHER - But you have the profits. Mr. Legge-Mr. Vanc er, I must take exception to your romarks. I have nothing to do

with the firm of Messrs. Lane, Crewford & Co., \$33,716.26 but I am a shareholder in this company, and what you say amounts almost to a vote of censure upon our Managers. Mr. VAUCHER-Ob, no; you misunderstand

4,103.15 . Mr. LEGGE—It seems perfectly clear to every 12,122.71 one in this room but yourself. Mr. Grorge—He has a perfect right to cri-153.48 | ticise the accounts. Mr. Legge-And I have a perfect right to

> The CHAIRMAM-It is only a matter of Mr. VAUCHER-You misunderstand me; what I say is that we have too much capital. We have that \$4,000 on deposit. Captain BENNING-That is for a case of

emergency, and the other is what we have to work with. We have \$5,000 or \$6,000 to work with-sny \$7,000. The pay us \$3,000, so there is only \$4,000 left. Mr. VAUCHER-There is \$986 in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank on current account. 50 ... and the outstanding accounts.

Captain BENNING-Well, I have put it at \$7,000 and out of that \$3,000 has to come for our dividends. The amount for outstanding ac-Mr. McCullocH-There are always these uc---- counts outstanding.

Captain BENNING-If we are to got in the amount for outstanding accounts we must shut up shop, for we have to keep a run-The CHAIRMAN said-Gentlemen, you have ning account with our customers. That is Mr. McCulloch-Perhaps they do not pay

Mr. GRORGE-Why not let your criticism take, the form of an amondment, and state your objections after the accounts are passed? It is The CHAIRMAN-Yes. The falling off is due no use criticising the thing and arguing it out Mr. VAUCHER-No. I shall not do that. The CHAIRMAN -- Well, if there are no more

questions I will propose that the accounts be Mr. LEGGE seconded.

Carried mem. con.

Benning, E. L. Woodin, J. D. Hutchison, and committee in accordance with the Articles of Association, be re-elected, and that Mr. H. Craw-

Mr. George-I propose that Wessrs. T. T.

Mr. V. HEALLER seconded. The CHAIRMAN-I propose the re-election of Mr. McCurloch seconded.

Carried. The CHAIRMAN-That is all the business, gentlemen; the dividend warrants will be sent, out

THE HONGKONG I'E COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following is the sixth annual report of the General Managers of the Hongkong Ice Co., Limited, for presentation to the shareholders at the annual meeting to be held to-day, the 22nd instant :--

The General Managers beg to submit to the share. holders a statement of the company's accounts for The balance credit of profit and less account inoluding \$1,125.30 brought forward from last year is \$22,213.91. This will admit of a dividend of \$3 per share and a special appropriation towards cost of new ice Machine of

The arrangements for selection and fitting out the now Ico Machine were entrusted to Mr. W. N. Bain. the late Manager of the works. The machinery is now on the ground, and an engineer conversant with the class of machine selected has arrived from England to superintend its setting up. It is hoped that this machine will be in working order early in Summer. During the past year the quantity of ice manufactured was slightly under that of the preceding souson, and the net earnings about \$3,500 less. The temporary lowering of pricee consequent on the opposition met with last summer; and absence of the extra demand

Hongkong, 14th February, 1887. Invested in Chinese loan, 1891 Invested in Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's share..... Cash on hand Hongkong and Shanghai Dank-On current account On deposit account

Outstanding account

Accounts receivable Coals on hand Ico on hand ************************* Stores on hand Unexpired fire insurance LIABILITIES. Capital account Reserve and depreciation account......

Less expended on a/c to date ... 691.88 Profit and loss account PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT. Tosalaries, wages, & general trade expenses \$15,059.1 To Crown rent and taxes, less rents received To General Managers' commission To auditor's fee.....

By balance of undivided profits, 31st De-By receipts for ice during the year, and value of stock on hand

THE OPENING OF THE ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, HONGKONG.

The Alice Memorial Hospital was opened on in "The Fishermen-" dust, were both well renthe 16th inst. There was no formal coremony in | dered, but a weakness that has been noticed in connection with the event, but the Committee | some of his comic performances just made itself apthrew the building open and issued a n tice parent here-lack either of thoroughly careful stating they would be glad to meet all who preparation, or care in delivery. In "My Queen" were desirous of viewing it. This invitathere was one slight verbal stamble, and tion was lar cly availed of the rooms being in the duet a musical one. Mr Scott has a thronged with Chinese, and a good number of strong ful barilone voice of capital compass, and Europeans also attending. The hospital is with a little more training will make an excellent situated at the corner of Hollywood-road and vocalist. Mr. Crowe has made great strides in Aberdeenistreet, and has a frontage on the singing since he first appeared in public, and he former of 45 feet and on the latter of 100 feet Sin. has probably never been heard to so much ad-The intrance for patients is from Aberdeen- vantage on a stage as he was on Wednesday evenstreet to the basement, and there is another ing. He showed evident signs of successful entrance from Hellywood-road to the first floor training, and-was able to use to its best advantfor the use of the doctors and friends. In the age his powerful baritone voice, which was Hollywood-road entrance hall a marble slab has well suited with the song "Si e Ver." Mr. been let into one of the walls bearing the follow- Jordan is also evidently an improving pering inscription :--

IN LOVING MEMORY Wife of Dr. Ho KAI, BORN IN LONDON, FEST. 3rd, 1853. DIED IN HONORONG, JUNE 8th, 1884. THIS HI SPUTAL Building is Erected By HER LOVING FRIENDS. As stated in this inscription, the Hospital has

been erected in memory of the late Mrs. Ho Kai. The cost of the building has been defrayed by Dr. Ho Kai, the cost of the site being provided from a fund raised by public subscription. \$5,000 was given to this fund by Mr. E. R. Belilius, and one of the words bears his name: The building consists of a basement and two floors above and is built around three sides of an open court or yard. In the basement there are the waiting rooms-or for men and one for women-the consulting roam the dispensary, and servants' quarters and others. On the first floor there are three wards-a women's ward, general ward, and a ward for alcers and external diseases. The last named has a chunam floor. The women's ward is the one which lears the name of the "Emanuel Raphael Belilios Ward," which is inscribed in gilt letters on a board at the door. There are also bathrooms and other offices on this floor. On the floor above there are two wards. one a general ward and the other for eye dis- | Solo de Maio Soprano, "Non tomo," Mattei, Sm. cases; also the operating room, quarters for the resident surgeon, buth room and offices. All the Solo de Bastone, "My Queen," Blumenthal, Sr. W. words are in its to look cheerful with pictures. and scrolls bearing witable Chinese inscriptions. comes from Amoy and was engaged through Dr. Dr. Hartigan of the general ward on the first floor. Dr. Manson of the general ward on the Solode Seprenc, "Stabat Mater," Rossini, Sra. Laura top floor, Dr. Young of the women's ward, and "Dr. Jordan of the ophthalmic ward. Dr. Poute also gives his services as surgeon-dentist, and Mr. Crow, the Government Analyst, has superintended the fitting up of the dispensary. The hospital will be carried on under the anspices of Messts. Bird and Palmer.

for this purpose has been taken up by the dispensary, the room originally intended for the latter having been found unsuitable for the pur-

There were already two female patients in the hospital vesterday, and this morning the doors will be thrown open for the reception of all who present themselves. There are beds for more than eighty patients:

AMATEUR CONCERT AT THE LUSITANO CLUB HONGKONG.

most successful that has been given in this colony the Italian Convent.

community, there was only one gentleman of that | jee won the Belilios medal in this class also. Mr. | purchaser—such application and proposed sale | so that no notice could be obtained of prior denationality who contributed anything beyond Woodin had the best collection of twelve kinds, being first approved by the Governor. swelling the choruses of the orchestra his lot including some remarkably fine cauli- annual Crown Rent is fixed by the Surveyor but one of the most familiar, Mr. W. Scott, is deners made much fewer entries, and failed to est bidder above the upset price being declared practically new, as he appeared in an entirely fill ut the space allotted to them. Celery was the purchaser for a term of 999 years if a Victoria fresh line. Hitherto Mr. Scott has only ap- very much below the average. public stage is concerned, is Mr. R. Withers, Mr. Moran. all did so well. Miss Roza Machado had the misfortune to be suffering from a cold, and owing to that, and evident nervousness, she was unable to do herself full justice. It is to be hoped that this young lady will ere long give the publie another opportunity of hearing her, for she evidently possesses a voice of excellent quality Nowrojes. and fair power. Miss Laura Leiria's song "Guarany" was most successful. This lady's Irving. voice is not powerful, but it is a soprano full of sweetness, and of excellent range. The greatest merit of the song lay in the perfect Nowroice.

The sole "Stabat Mater" was this lady, who was accompanil collent chorus. Miss Edith Carvallio showed equal indication of careful and able training and of real natural taste and aptitude. Her song "Vo' danzar" was a very difficult one, but it was rendered throughout with much ease, the trills being beautifully given. Miss Carvalho has a crisp ringing soprano voice of good strength. An encors was loudly called for both these singers, 400.00 but owing to the length of the programme this

270.39 could not be granted. In the second half Miss Sylvia dos Remedios sang "Non Torno" with great success; she has a very melodious mezzo soprano voice, and exhibited throughout the same cultured taste. Miss Anna C. Gomes was equally successful with "Salvator Roza." This lady has a stronger soprano voice than most of the other singers, but it lacks a little of the sweetness of those above mentioned. There was the same evidence in this case of successful culture. This concludes the ludy sole vocalists, but nearly all those we have mentioned took part in duets or in a quartette with equal success. The only English words used by any of the ladies 4,147.80 were in the duet "The Fisherman", which is a translation from the Italian. This was sung

8.058.12 by Miss Gomes and Mr. Scott, and was re-22,213.91 ceived with the strongest marks of approval. The pianoforte solos of the young ladies who took part in the entertainment merit equal praise, and we question if there have ever been more meritorious amateur performances in the colony than that of Miss Souza. 2.000.00 Misses Carolina de Souza, Maria E. Alves, 100,00 and Izabel dos Remedios all showed them-22,213.91 selves to be mistresses of the instrument, and were all most warmly applauded. A very admirable solo was also played by Mr. Hugo dos Remedios.

Mr. J. S. Brewer was the first gentleman vocalist, and on this occasion he sung 36.93.03 "The Demon King", and in our opinion it was 1,532.18 among the very heat things this gentleman has 89.00 done in public. He was in excellent voice, and \$39,779.51 the song was in his proper range. Mr. Robinson had a long solo part to sing in the quartette from "Rigoletto," and he gave it in his Mody usual artistic manner. He also was in capital voice, and passed from one register to another with great case. Mr. Withers we have already referred to; his song was very favourably received. Mr. Soutt's "My Queen," and his share | din. former; his violin solo was of great merit, and as far as we could judge its only fault was its length. About one half the selection rendered is as much as any performer should give at one time in an entertaimment of this nature. It now only remains to mention the choruses and orchestration, which were well in keeping with the high standard of the rest of the concert.

Appended is the programme: · PRIMEIRA PARTE.

Six kohl rabi-1, Col. Hughes; 2, Chee Bee. Two savoys-1, Chee Bee; 2, H. N. M.dy. Fifty brassels sprouts-1, E. L. Woodin; 2, A.1 Ouverture. ... Sras, Gomas e Coro. La Carita. Solo ao Piano, "La Figlia del Reggimento," Ascher, Sr. Hago dos Remedios. Solo de Seprano, " Non ti scordar di me," Robaudi. Srn. Roza Machado. Duete, "Uma notte a Venezia," Sra. Edith Carvalho e Sr. J. Robinson.

Solo so Piano da Opera "Semiramis," Ascher, Sra. Carolina de Souza. Solo de Soprano, "Guarany," Gomes, Sra. Laura, Solo de Tenor. "Non è Ver." Mattei, Sr. R. Withers. Solo de Rabeca... "Thanhauser," ... Sr. A. L. Jordan. Solo de Seprano, Valua "Vò danzar," Mattel, Sra. Edith Carvalho. SEGUNDA PARTE.

Quarteto da Opera "Rigoletto," Verdi, Sra. Edith Carvalho, Sra. Anna C. Gomes, Sr. J. Robinson, e Sr. W. Scott. Solo ao Piano, "La Sonnambula," Leybach, Sra. Maria E. Alves. Sylvia dos Remedios. Ducto de Opera, "Sapho," Pacini, Sra. Anna C

Gomes and Sra. Sylvia dos Remedios The resident surgeon is Dr. Tchin Lug. who | Solo no Piano, "Capriculo," Raff, Sra. Izabel dos Remedios. Manson. Drs. Hartigan, Manson, Young, and | Solo de Soprano, "Salvator Roza," Gomes, Sra. Anna Jordan give their services as honorary physicians | Solo de Baritono, "Si h Ver," Mottei, Sr. W. Crow. and have each undertaken the charge of a ward. Dueto, "The Fishermen," Sra. Anna C. Gomes e Sr. Mong Yuon; S, Chan Acheung.

HONGKONG FLOWER SHOW. The recent long spell of wet, miserable weather. the London Missionary Society. The Medical has had its inevitable effect upon the annual ex-Committee consists of the Rev. Dr. Chalmers, | hibition of the Hongkong Horticultural Society, Dr. Ho Kai, and the honorary physicians. Dr. which was held on the 17th and 18th instant. Jordan is the hon. Medical Secretary, and the In flowers, fruit, and vegetables the show is be-Rev. Dr. Chalmers the Secretary and Treasurer. low the average of recent years. The number The plans for the building were prepared by of competitors is reduced, especially in the class for Chinese market gardeners, and with some Next door to the hospital is another building exceptions the exhibits are not equal in merit to being erected by the Chinese Christians con- what has been seen before. Still, considering nected with the London Missionary Society the very trying nature of the season, the exhibi-The top floor is a chapel, and is capable of seat- tion is everything that could be expected. ing five hundred worshippers. The regular Flowering plants, cut flowers, table decorations, services of the church will be held here, &c., are behind last year, especially table decorawhile the first floor will be used as a preach. It may be remembered that this was a Fan. ing hall and school, and in the basement will very strong feature last year, and the exhibits be a residence for the native paster and rooms made a separate department which was evidwhich may be used for other purposes in connec- ently the most attractive feature of the show. tion with mission work. A communication is to This year they were reduced to about one be made between this building and the hospital in | third of last year's entries. Miss Cameron took order to allow the patients to attend chapel. It first honours here with a very chaste design was at first intended to use one of the rooms in | in white flowers with maiden hair fern. The the basement of the ho-pital as a chapel for the second prize exhibit was decidedly novel and patients, but the room which had been designed original, being a combination of the bright yellow blossom of the nasturtium and the brown foli age of the begonia and erosine. Mr. Chee Bee. of the East Point Sugar Refinery grounds, was a very successful competitor in the cut flower class. He was, as usual, a large exhibitor. Last year the exhibits from this garden were in the name of Mr. Hassell. Among the plants a noticeable feature was a fine collection of plants. Botanical Gardens. They were foliage plants, of the Northamptonshire Regiment was again priorities of the documents registered—the sys- is occupying as such? If so, under what circumand the central one was a large eyeas present and performed at intervals. from the Lo-fa-shan mountains on the West River. Mr. Nowrojee's collection of plants in the class for the Belilios medal was a very strong all round lot, and took The concert organised by Signor Cattaneo | the medal. Mr. Nowrojee's pansies were also in aid of the orphan children brought up excellent, and among the collections of six anat the Italian Convent; proved one of the | nuals he had one rare and very pretty plant in capital order-the desert pen, which comes from for a long time. The performers were all pupils | Australia. His gladiols, too, in the collection of Signor Cattaneo, whose large connection here of three pot plants, was a remarkably fine specifurnished him with an ample field from which to men. Among the collections of foliage plants one select the performers. The pretty ball-room of sent by Mr. Chee Bee, a plant of the asparagus the Lusitano Club was completely crowded on tribe with most delicately fine foliage, attracted the 16th inst, several failing to find sents, and some attention. Mr. Wooding as usual, was doubtless Signor Cattanee has been enabled the most successful exhibitor of ferns, which made to the land, or as Surveyor, or otherwise? thereby to hand over a very satisfactory sum to a really excellent class, and were the strongest

far too good a voice to i raw away on the lowest were carried the whole way round the outer walk ence in this mode of sale to the public by auction. Title should not be granted, or what other me- than one hundred times as much as other probranch of the art. Messr. I'm ver, Kobinson, and on the fountain plateau, and the stalls were ran. on the application of individuals, arisen or come Crowe are well known to Hongkong audiences, ged on either side, the cut flowers having also a to your knowledge? If so will you be good but we never remember to have heard them to centre stand on the east side. During the afterbetter advantage than on this occasion. The noon the Band of the Northamptonshire Regentleman débutant, so far as a Hongkong giment played a capital selection of music under

who possesses a very pleasant well rounded tenor | The judges were:-Plants and Cut Flowersvoice, which he uses with much taste. Deal- | Wessers. Arthur and A. B. Westland. European ing individually with the ladies, we should | Vegetables-Messrs. A. E. Vaucher and E. imagine that it would be hard for an umpire George. Chinese Vegetables-Messra, A. G. to award the palm, and it really seems a most Romano and P. Rapp. The table decorations invidious task to make any selections where were judged by two-ladies who have expressed a desire that their names should not be published.

Appended is the prize list :--veyor General. Has any inconvenience or hard-PLANTS IN POTS. Six annuals—1, D. Nowrojoe; 2, E. L. Woodin.
Three foliage plants—1, E. L. Woodin; 2, Chee Bee.
Three flowering plants—1, E. L. Woodin; 2, D. Three single germiums-1, Chee Bee , 2, Mrs. Bell.

Three double geraniums-1, Chee Bee; 2, no award. Throo roses -1, Chee Ree; 2, C. P. Chater. Three chrysanthemums-1, Chee Bee; 2,

Three camellies—1, D. Nowrojes 2, E. L. Woodin. to him from the Land Office containing reservation of proportions of Crown How many Farm Lets, Rural Building Lets and covenants, and your opinion is desired question of proportions of Crown How many Farm Lets, Rural Building Lets and upon the following points as regards the effect Ronts in such cases? Two chrysanthemums-1, D. Nowrojee : 2. Chee of the Louis up at the Losses or his Assignees Two Chinese saters-1, Mrs. Bell-Irving; 2,

One geranium-1, Chee Bee; 2, E. L. Woodin. One-rose-1, Chee Bee; 2, J. H. Cox.

One gladiolns-I, Chee Bee ; 2, D. Nowrojee.

One parcisaus-1, H. N. Mody; 2, D. Nowtojee.

Ope pot of pansice-1, D. Nowrojee; 2, E.

Three forms-1, E. L. Woodin ; 2, Chee Bee.

CUT FLOWERS.

Four camellia blooms-1, D. Nowrojce, 2, H. N

Four chrysanthemum blooms-1, D. Nowrojce;

Hand bouquet-1, Chee Bee; 2, H. J. Holmas.

Table decorations-1, Miss Cameron; 2, Mrs. Davis

Table decorations of wild flowers-1, Mrs. Davis ; 2

VEGETABLES.

Six kinds of vegetables-1, E. L. Woodin ; 2, H.

Two he ds of celery, dwarf-1, E. L. Woodin:

Six beet roots (short or round)-1, Col. Hughes ;

Six carrots (long)-1, E. L. Woodin ; 2. Ches Bee.

Six carrots (short or early)-1. Ches Bee ; 2, E.

One dish parsley-1, E. L. Woodin ; 2, Cheo See.

Fifty pods of peas-1, Chee Hee; 2, E. L. Wooding

Fifty pode of bears, French-1, Chee Bee; 2, E.

Twenty-five pods of beans, broad-No exhibit.

Twenty-five potatoes, white-1, E. L. Woodin

Twenty-five potatoes, red-1, Col. Hoghes; 2,

Six tarning-1, H. J. Holmes; 2, E. L. Woodin-

Six turnips, Swedes-1, Chee Bee: 2, Mrs. Be

Twoive onions-I, Mrs. Bell-Irving; 2, Choe Bee.

Twelve leeks-1, H. J. Holmes; 2, A. E. Vauchet

Twenty-five radianes, long-1, Chee Bes; 2, E.

Twenty-five radishes, turnip rocted-1, E. L. Wood-

Twolve tomatos—I, D. Nowrojee; 2, C. P. Chater. Two vegetable marrows—1, E. L. Woodin; 2, Chee

Two Scotch kail-1, E. L. Woodin; 2, H. N. Mody. Arrowsoot-1, H. N. Mody; 2, E. L. Woodin.

Salad, 6 kinds at least-1, Chee Bee; 2, No award.

(FOR CHIMESE MARKET GARDENERS ONLY.)

Four kinds of vogetables-1, Tak Wa; 2, Chan Tin

Six best roots, long-1, Choung Shing Yuen,

Two cauliflowers-1, Ko Fan; 2, Chan Tui Po; 8;

Two cabbages-1, Chan Ting Shan; 2, Tak Wa; 3,

Two cabbages, drumbend-1, Chan Achoung; 2,

Two lettuce, cos-1, Chan Ting Shan; 2, Tak Wa;

Two lettuce, cabbage-1, Tak Wa; 2, Chan Tin Po

One dish of parsley-1. Cheung Shing Yuen 2

Fifty pods of pess-1, Kam Shing; 2, Tak Wa; 3

Mung Yuen, Eity pods of beans, Franch-1, Cheung Shing; 2

Chan Acheung; 3, Mung Yuen. Twenty-five potatoes—1, Chan Ting Shan; 2, Chan

Twelve shallots-1, Tak Wa; 2, Ko Fan; 3, Chan

Twenty-five radiabes-1, Tak Wa; 2, Chan Tin Po;

Fifty brussels sprouts-1, Tak Wa; 2, Chan Acheung;

Best collection of awest and pot herbs-1, Ming

Two yams-1, Tak Wa; 2, Chan Ting Shan; 3,

Six arrowroots, West Indian-1, Tak Wa; 2,

Five arrowroots, East Indian—No award.
Six kohl raki—1, Tak Wa; 2, Mung Yuan; 3, Ko

Best of Rection of fruits, (grown in Hongkong)-1,

Mr. D. Nowrojes; 2, Mr. H. J. Holmes; 3, lady

BELILIOS PRIZES-SILVER MEDAL

To Mr. Chee Bee was awarded the Belilios

Silver Cup for the best exhibition of plants, and

also the Belilios Silver Cap for the best exhibi-

THE HONGKONG LAND COMMISSION.

The following questions for the consideration

and opinion of Landowners, Solicitors, Survey-

2.-Where land is not granted to persons al-

Marine or Inland Lot, and for 75 years if of another

and your opinion thereon?

your opinion thereon?

Mrs. Rell-Irving; 3, Mr. H. J. Holmes.

Six horse radish-1, Chan Tin Po; 2, Ko Fan.

Yuan: 2, Chaung Shing Yven; 3, Chan Acheung.

Best collection of sweet and pot herbs-1, Clea

Two couve tronchoudss-No sward.

Siz horse radish-1, hee Bee ; 2, no award.

Twelve shallots-1, Chee Bee ; 2, no award.

Six parsvips-1. Chee Bes; 2, C. P. Chater.

One lettuce cos-No award.

C. P. Chater.

I. Peretval.

n : 2, Chee Bos.

Bee: 2, D. Nowrojee.

Po : 3, Chan Acheung.

Soy Hing.

Shing Yuen : 3, Tak Wa.

o Fan: 3, Kem Shing

3, Cheung Shing Yuon.

Choung Shing Yuen.

Mrs. Chan Acheupr.

Cheung Shing Yuan.

Twelve tomatos-No prize.

Mung Ynen; 3, Cheung Shing Yuen.

Shing Yuen; 3, Mung Yuu.

Mung Yuen : 3, Chan Acheung.

Yam (special) D. Nowrojco.

Woodin.

Two lottuce cabbage-No award

One pelargenium-ne award.

One hyacinth-no award.

One Illy-no award.

no award.

Two English asters—1, D. Nowrojen; 2, H. N. Mody. One annual—1, Chee Bee; 2, D. Nowrojee. One dablis—1, Chee Bae; 2, Mrs. Boll-Irving. has left in him the surface only of his Lot, and i so on? the erections standing upon it for the term for 37.—If a sub-section holder pays up the Crown which the Lease is granted. Can you say whe- Rent to prevent forfeiture (there being no in each class ? One ohrysanthemum-1, D. Nowroles: 2, Mrs. Bel ther this reservation has ever been found ap- remaining portion or no remaining portion preciably injurious to the lessee in his occupation | owner) how does he recover the proportious from One pink, carnation, or sweet william-1, Chee Been or dealings with the ground so granted, or that the owners of other sections and sub-sections? the effect of this reservation is of no moment to | 38 .- What powers of cross distress are usually

5.—The Crown, by the Lease, reserves the and sub-sections? right of digging for, acquiring, and carrying | 39 .- Do you consider the system hitherto pracaway the excepted earth, stones, and minerals if tised of permitting sections and sub-sections to sider applications for the grant of Land, to sit required for public purposes, of course doing as be registered a pood system or not? If not, at frequent intervals and to report to the Gov. little damage as possible to the lessee. Has this state objections and whether it would be desir- ernor and generally to have the ma agement of One pot of primples-1, Chee Bee; 3, Mrs. Boll reservation any effect upon the value of property, able for all holders of sections and sub-sections to everything connected with Crown property? If or does it occasion any difficulty in its sale, or is hold direct from the Crown under a new Lease so of what members should the Board consist and One aster—1, C. P. Chater; 2, D. Nowrojee.
One petania—1, E. L. Woodin; 2, no award.
One verbens—1, E. L. Woodin; 2, D. Nowrojee.
One daphne—1, E. L. Woodin; 2, Chee Beo.
One flowering plant—1, E. L. Woodin; 2, D. Nowro it otherwise injurious to the lessee ? 6 .- Is it generally believed by purchasers of opinion? property that the Crown would not exercise this.

One foliage plant—1, Chre Bee; 2, D. Nowrojec. One camellia—1, E. L. Woodin; 2, C. P. Chater. One orchid—1, E. L. Woodin; 2, E. L. Woodin. One palm-1, Mrs. Bell Irving ; 2, E. L. Woodin. power to the Surveyor General to view and serve that such a power exists? One tree fern-1, E. L. Woodin; 2, Chee Bee. One azuleas-1, Chee Bee; 2, D. Nowrojee. Stumps or rockwork-1, E. L. Woodin; 2, D. notice of, and compel such repairs as he may 41 .- Would you insist on the Power of Attorconsider necessary, are these covenants of use to nev being registered when land is dealt with for the disposal of land outside of Victoria? the inhabitants generally in preventing dan- under it? Six forns, exotic-1, E. L. Woodin ; 2. D. Nowrojes gerous decays, or are they deemed useless when Six ferns, indigenous-1, D. Nowrojce; 2, E.

ried into effect P prohibited by covenant in the Lease, unless ties. How do you consider that eases of this sort carried on with licence. Do the lessees as a rule | -which render a Title namarketable-should be comply with this covenant, and do purchasers of dealt, with, so as to render the Title marketable, for the purpose of increasing manufactories? property where these prohibited trades are if no other defect exists? Four rose blooms—1. Ches Bee; 2. D. Nowrojee.

Six banches of out flowers, dissimilar, (each bunch to consis of one variety only)—1. E. L. Wendin; 2, carried on inquire whether a licence has been obtained before they complete their purchases, or of the usual covenants the Deed contains—such who would also be Magistrates in Kowloon and is no inquiry upon this subject made?

considered that the Police Regulations are sufficiently stringent without the necessity of the adopted for registration, in other respects, suffi. and Taxes and generally to look after the Crown's Two heads of colery, large-1, E. L. Woodin; 2, the right of determining the Lesse and resuming | consider they should be remedied?

by the Surveyor General. Has this right of re- added to, it was customary for the Crown to of Titles owing to the present arrangements ressumption by the Crown on payment of the Sur- accept a surrender of the Lot and grant a new pecting the grant of Crown Leases and assignvoyor General's valuation occasioned any harm or Lease with corrected boundaries, and adjusted | ments of sections and sub-sections? If so, please inconvenience to your knowledge? Two cabbages—1, H. N. Mody; 2, A. E. Vancher. 11.—Hai property?
Two cabbages, red.—1, H. N. Mody; 2, D. Nowre. 12.—Doe

> 13.—And what is your opinion upon the clause generally? 14.-Is it desirable to have a simpler form of Crown Lease? Would there be any objection to embody the usual provisions in an Ordinance of the parties and to the property leased ! 15 .- When a lot is sold, pickets, and in some

of its transfer t

the contractor or his workmen, and it is subset visions on the subject so as to do justice to all the property to make the present Titles corresthe lesses should be dealt with in such cases are accepted? strictly in order?

are all comprised in the vondor's Title which is of a Ferm. described by Lot and not by houses?

Two heads of celery-1, Kam Shing; 2, Cheung | vendor's Title Deeds?

Six beet roots, short-1, Chan Acheung; 2, Cheung of under his purchase deed is found to be actu- should be optional or compulary. Six carrots-1, Cheung Shing Yuon; 2. Chan Acheung; 3, Tak Wa. ally in another situation?

granted during the first 30 years after the fountion of boundaries, buildings, formation of private cannot be even approximately, identified ?

boundaries us described by the Leases? for and cannot be ascertained is it found that or underletting their holdings? Tin Po; 3, Mung Yuen.

Six turnips—1, Ko Fan; 2, Chan Ting Shan; 3, both Lease description and change of building 51—If so what title is given or accepted?

during a long term of years so as to cause the Crown Rent? least trouble of identification when the ground |. 53. Do these people keep cattle, pigs, or goats and buildings of the Colony are dealt with ?

lessees or the tenants in this restriction? class of house to be built should from time to tory made of sale? time be modified to meet such circumstances p

Or should there be any restriction? 27,-When the ground comprised in a Lease ing a better tenure sgainst all new comers; if so

collection of plants and the best collection of it, must be registered with the proper Officer Leaseholders? The show was again open on Friday aftermon | Ordinance [No. 3 of 1844 provides a method or before, being assessed on the rate books should and the attendance was moderate. The land of registration by Memorial and regulates the also have an option of purchasing the ground he Titles than of ibseds. Does this system of registration answer any useful purpose, or in your be too poor to purchase his lot how would you Board? opinion can it be improved?

documents in extenso; or, if the system can be an intending purchaser able and willing to pay improved in any other way, in what respect? 29.—Do the registers of Titles in the course | Hentf ors, and others, regarding the sale and tenure of time-by giving notice of old transactionsof the land of the Colony, and other matters re- outstanding legal estates which probably cannot lating thereto, have been issued by the Land be got in, and other things, -- become an impediment, rather than an assistance, to the Title? 1.—Is your acquaintance with the land of the | 30.—Would you suggest that the Register of Colony an extensive one as Landowner, or Soli- Titles, so far as it gives notice to a proposed purcitor having the preparation of Deeds relating | chaser or mortgagee, should be limited as to time ? For example, an owner's registered Title is in order for the last 17 years, but is not marready in possession, or having an admitted claim | ketable owing to apparently outstanding estates It was somewhat noticeable that although the The vegetables showed much falling off in to the grant of a Lease, it is put up to public created more than 17 years ago not having been lady performers were all from the Portuguese quality and in number of exhibits. Mr. Nowro auction on the application of an intending got in. If the Title could be limited to 16 years 31.-If you suggest a limit of time what time would you consider a reasonable limit consider-

of the contract was that the purchaser would ac- happens in many cases that one house stands or too little? Lease would thereupon issue; now the building gister books so that three searches of three dif- of to any extent? and other conditions are stated in the contract ferent lots are necessary to ascertain the state. The present yield of Crown Rent is about and the Lease is not granted until the conditions of the title to one house. How do you consider \$170,000 per annum. Twenty years purchase ment grant any facilities for construction? 34.—If by register of the title to a house by of the very large requirements for public works to the harbours on the South side of the Island? alizing profits so enormous is visible on the are complied with to the satisfaction of the Sur- questions of this sort should be dealt with? would amount to \$3,400,000. In consideration ship arisen, so far as you know, particularly name or street number, how would you propose is there any reason why this amount should not with regard to the purchaser's dealing with or the identification of the house and ground it be raised?

selling his contract to purchase before the Lease | stands on should be kept clear? can be issued, or otherwise with regard to the 35.—The owner of a house standing upon por- class of Lease or tenure should also have an stipulations of the contract? If so, what is the tions of three separate Lots has to pay proper option to redeem his Crown Rent, and if so upon nature of the inconvenience or hardship, and tions of Crown Rents to three different owners what terms and how to be fixed? of the remaining portions of the Lots-the 63.-How many Crown Leases are there for 4.—When the purchaser has complied with his owner of a remaining portion being looked upon 999 years? How many sections and sub-secconditions of purchase a Crown Lease is issued as directly responsible for the whole Crown Rent tions? How many owners of sections and sub-

36.—By what legal means does the owner of a

given in cases of sales and purchases of sections

from the Crown, and if so the reasons for your should they be remunerated or should their ser-

40.-Numerous Deeds have been, and are still right, and is it treated as nullity and therefore being, executed by the Atterneys of absentee owners; how is the Momorial evidence of a Dead 7 .-- And with regard to the covenants to keep executed by an Attorney under power seeing in repair as between Landlord and Tenant with there is no evidence in the Land Office records triots to be such agents and report to the Board,

42.-Many Powers of Attorney are missing.

8.—Certain noisome and offensive trades are populy execut d and signed by the proper par- Family houses in the country districts?

9.—By Ordinance 10 of 1872, and the Rules every Ded should be taken to comprise certain amongst other things to receiving applications under Ordinance 7 of 1883, provision is made in usual covenants; would Deeds and their registra- for grants of land, to look after the Crown's inrespect of noisome and offensive trades. Is it tion become in your opinion more simplified? terests in the Forests, to have the superinten-10.—The Crown reserves to itself by the Lease If not what defects are there and how do you many should be appointed in the first instance? possession of the ground when required by the 45.—When the Title to a lot was defective that they should be placed under the Crown Land Sir beet roots (long)-1, H. N Mody; 2, E. L. Woo. Government for public purposes, on 3 months' owing to a comparison of the description of the

notice and payment to the lesses of a full and fair | Lot gathered from the Title Deeds with the compensation to be fairly and importially made Lot itself shewing the original ground has been are there any peculiar difficulties in the making rental. If the former Lot was sold at a premium state what difficulties are experienced in these or il.—Has it any effect upon the value of the an extra promium would be assessed and charged in any other respects and the best way in your at the same rate for the additional area. Now, opinion to remove such difficulties. 12 - Does it act in any way to the prejudice if the surrender of a Lease is accepted and a new 73.—Are there many Titles to land in your Lease granted the premium for additional area experience which the Court would refuse to onis assessed by the Surveyor General at such force upon an unwilling purchaser, and of what rate as he finds to be the market rate of the nature are the objections to the Title P day in the particular locality the Lot in question 74.—Are conditions of sale with regard to is situated. Do you consider there is any blots upon Title frequently made and what are objection or inconvenience to this course being the most usual blots for which conditions are and to confine the Crown Lease to a description | continued, and if so what is the nature of the | provided? objection or inconvenience?

46,-Is it advisable for the Crown to accept ously affected by such conditions?

houses. He builds 5 under one roof of which 2 fers beyond a Building Lease being the low rate ing afresh; and commencing registration de and part of a third are over the boundary of his of Crown Rent charged, and the liberty it gives | novo? * Lot on the previously vacant ground to which he to "turn out cattle, sheep, or other stock upon the has no Title. The lot is sold with the 5 houses waste or nyour ivated hills adjoining" the Lot such a course should be adopted would you redescribed as erected thereon. What steps as to I its extra restrictions being the reservation of all commend that it should be compulsory, or should measurement are usually taken by a purchaser | timber, (rees, and underwood and a covenant not | it be made compulsory upon the application of a

17.—Is it the case that frequently on sales and | they were Rural Building Lots and ornamental | the authority of a Crown Land Board or of purchases of houses that neither the vendor nor trees and shrinks have been planted upon them. Commissioners to be specially appointed for the purchaser can establish by measurement or other- the buildings having been erected with the same- purpose, with an appeal on questions of law to posts are being erroted, from which nearly all the wise that a house which is sold or purchased tion of the proper Government Officer, but the Supreme Court or under a Land Court to really forms part of the Lot comprised in the Lots remain with the restrictions of the Farm be appointed for the perpose? Lease and consequently at the lower rent. Is it 79. - Supposing new Leases to be granted is it 18.—Are there many cases where a purchaser in your opinion desirable that these restrictions desirable in future to recognize possessory accept a vendor's Title to a Lot which by the should be removed, and it so upon what terms as titles without documentary evidence of record

Lease he purports to sell is described as in one 'o payment of premium and extra Crown Rent, in the Land Registry? situation when the property he takes possession and how to be assessed and whether the terms 19.—Generally as to boundaries, are they so Kowloon granted for 14 years, renewable, to which | the present requirements as to Land Registry? ill-defined by the Leases, particularly the Leases the same statement and questions apply. Does 81.—Would it be advisable to introduce the mutch daily supply. From the service reservoir your opinion include both Farm and Gorden Liots. | Australian system of Land Registry in cases dation of the Colony, that by reason of the varia- and if not, in what respect is there a difference? where it was so desired, and would such it system

streets and alleys, and otherwise such boundaries last statements drait with, and what steps does of to any extent? a purchaser take when he purchases a Farm or 82 - Would it be advisable to simplify the 20.—Or, with originally well defined Lease Garden Lot with a house standing upon it to Crown Leases by Ordinance so as to make it nethat they cannot be located as approximating the form of Squatter's Licence. Do you know leases? whether there are any dealings by the squatters 21.—()r, when the boundary of a Lot is sought | among themselves or others selling, mortgaging,

52.—Do you consi er that before underletting 22 - What from your experience and in your his holding a squatter should be compelled t adgment is the most approved manner of pro- | purchase a Lease? If so what class of Lease and tecting boundaries of Lots from obliteration upon what terms as to payment of premium and

to any extent? If so, do they take out licences? 23.-A Building Lease contains a lessee's 1 'hey depasture their mimals on Government covenant to build to the satisfaction of the property beyond the ground covered by their Surveyor General, and the style of house is limit- licences? If so by what authority, and should ed in some localities to European and in others to such a practice if existing be stopped or checked? consed or unlicensed, subject to the purchaser sum should be charged, or is it advisable that the reached 350 to 360 year, and now they a s Chinese. Is there any inconvenience to the 54.-Land is sold with squatters upon it, li-Colonial circumstances the restriction as to the Government. Do you consider this a satisfact the upset price?

25.-Would it be advisable for the present years at a high Crown Rent, and for which a any convenience to purchasers if the amount of limits to be fixed by Ordinance, leaving by such high premium has been paid. Similar or better purchase money with interest was distributed. ordinance a course open to amendment from land is held by licensed squatters at a low rent over a number of years, or at least until after three hundred per cent. The proposal which time to time? Or should it be left to the Sur- for which no premium has been paid. What of buildings were creeted. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. H. J. Holmes; 3, Mrs. Bell-Irving. veyor General, or a 'own Land Board with the fect have these different tenures upon the value Best collection of root crops—I. Mr. D. Nowrojee; approval of the Gov. cor? 26-What is your opinion as to the localities 56.-Do you consider that the occupier, not where European houses ought alone to be built? | being a trespusser, no matter how low the tenure of his holding, should have an option of purchas-

tion of vegetables. Mr. Dorabjee Nowrojee was is dealt with the document, assignment, settle- upon what terms, and how are the terms to be the winner of the Belilios Silver Medals for a ment, mortgage, or other instrument affecting assessed to the best advantage for all classes of under a covenant in the Lease. 'A Registration | 57 -Do you consider that a trespasser after,

58.-If such occupier, licensed or unlicensed, then propose the property he holds should 28 -- Would it be more useful to record the dealt with in the event of its being required by the market premium of the day and Crown

59.-How are leased lauds affected by the clases of squatters, viz :--

(1.)—The licensed squatter who pays rates and a low Crown Rent; (2)-The squatter, unlicensed, who gets on to the rate books and pays rates only;

(3.)—The squatter who pays neither rates nor rent and who as a rule is too poor to pay either? 60.-Crown Rents are reserved by every Lease

and Licence, viz. Marine, Inland, Farm, Rural Building and Garden Lot Lesses and Squatters establishments or any portion of them to places capital with equal success, and that the public is Licences. Do you consider as regards the Marine and Inland Lot Lesses for 999 years and by no means unknown to Hongkong audiences, show of vegetables. The Chinese market gar. an upset price, upon certain conditions, the highvantages would accrue to the Colony generally where 32.-Would it not in your opinion be better and the value of property become more assured if the Leaseholders had the option of redeeming to remove, would the land now occupied by them tions by citing the parties, apparently having their Crown Rents? These Crown Rents vary be likely to be taken up by the community for that to subscribe on the doubling of the capital, has an undoubted take the transferred this year. The metabed stands of the fixed unnual rental. Has any incomposite claims, before a Court to show cause why a clear very considerably, some properties paying more building purposes a claims, before a Court to show cause why a clear very considerably, some properties paying more building purposes a claims, before a Court to show cause why a clear very considerably, some properties paying more building purposes a claims, before a Court to show cause why a clear very considerably, some properties paying more building purposes a claims, before a Court to show cause why a clear very considerably, some properties paying more building purposes. perties of equal value, and, unless something is likely to obtain sufficient from the sales to 33.—When part only of a lot is sold it is red done, this inequality will continue with respect to justify them offering to build new Barracks and enough to state the nature of the inconvenience gistered as a section, and when part only of a Leases for 199 years, practically, for ever. Is Officers Quarters in a less populous locality? section is sold it is registered as a sub-section. There any reason why this inequality should 3.—The purchaser at the auction signs a con- and so on—and by reason of blocks of buildings continue, and if not what do you consider a fair tract for puro se in the terms of a form pre- having been erected in a direction not intended nor price for the Leaseholder to pay for its redempviously advertised. Until recently the essence thought of when the Lot was originally sold it tion? Would 20 years' purchase be too much

62.—Do you consider that the holder of a lower

section holders on those? If so, how many? remaining portion recover the proportion of and how many houses? How many Squatters All earth, stones, and minerals are excepted Crown Rent due from the section holders, and Licences and how many houses, and of what des-

houses of all descriptions are there that are rated and Naval Authorities, and what amount of land is prevented from being occupied by the action

of the Military Authorities ? 65.—Is the present mode of granting Crown Land satisfactory, or would you recommend that a Crown Land Board should be appointed to con-

vices be given voluntarily? 66.-Would it be desirable that the Board, appointed, should have ngonts outside of Victoria. to receive applications, and would it be desirable for the Inspectors of Police in the outlying dis-67.- Is it advisable to encourage applications 68,-If so, are there any concessions to Chi-

nese sentiments which, in dealing with the waste the Building Laws in force in the Colony are car- and Deeds executed under them, and their Me- lands of the Colony, the Government might make merials, cannot by any means be proved to be so as to induce respectable Chinese to build their 69 -Are there any concessions which the Government could make in dealing with such land

70 .- In your opinion has the time yet come 43.—The Memorial of a Deed gives no statement | when it is advisable to have Government Agents covenants being presumed-If the law were that in the Country Districts of Hongkong, to attend 44.- Are the forms of Memorials generally dence of the collection of Crown Rents and Rates ciont as secondary evidence of missing Deeds? interests in outlying districts, and if so how 71 .- With respect to Forests, is it advisable

72.-With respect to sales of land generally,

75.—Is the market value of property injuri-

cases boundary stones are fixed in the ground to surrenders and to grant fresh ('rown Leases upon - 76.—With respect to existing dispositions of mark its boundaries. These are frequently re- an expants application and without notice to pos- Crown Land, is it in your opinion possible withmoved in the course of building operations by sible claimants? Or is it desirable to make pro- out a full and complete inquiry into the whole of quently found out that the lot has become alter- parties and to have the applicant's Title approved pond with the actual land occupied? Or is it ed in measurements. How do you propose that by some competent tribunal before surrenders desirable to inquire into all the Crown Leases already granted and to grant new Crown Leases with the view to keeping his Title to the Let 47 -In addition to the Marine and Inland upon equitable terms as far as practicable in ac-Building Leases for 999 years and Rural Buil- cordance with present holdings giving to each 16.—The owner of a Lot which adjoins vacant ding for 75 years there is another form of Lease Crown Lessee and to all holders of sections and ground has a width upon which he can build 3 called a Farm Lease the extra privileges it con- sub-sections a new Crown Lease and thus start-

77.—If in your opinion it is desirable that to ascertain that in buying the 5 houses they to build except what is required for the purposes Crown Lessee, or of a majority in number and value of holders under any one Crown Lesso? These Lots are now nearly all built upon as it 78.—Should the inquiry be conducted under

80 .- Would the provisions of the last Registration Act in England "The Yor shire Regis-48. There are also certain Garden Lots at tration Act, 1884," 47 and 48 Vic. c. 51 meet

84.-Would it be advisable to register Memorials only, or would it be better to preserve a copy of all original documents in the Land Registry? Or is it advisable to give the party

registering an option in the matter? suitable to the circumstances of the Colony or is it desirable to convert leaseholds into freeholds? 86.—If the Leasehold system is to continue how should property bequeathed by Will be registered? Also in cases of intestacy where Lease. tor for payment of debts?

87.-In future sales of Crown Land is there any reason why Crown Rent beyond a nominal

88.—Is it advisable that the purchase money

Crown Tenants. A list is made out by the jug it to twenty million yeu, when the portion any opening for fraud on the Government?

are there generally large arrears? 91.—Is it desirable for the assessment rates and taxes to be made by a Crown Land

9 .- Should appeals be made in the first in stance to the Crown Land Board? 93.—Is it desirable that Crown Rents and | measiness. To us the event seems very simple, Rates should be collected by the Board or its Officers so as to bring them more directly in con-

tact with the Tenants? 94.—As to overcrowding. Can any measures in your opinion be adopted by Government to demption Bonds, there can be no doubt that prevent the overcrowding in certain districts in

95.—What Government Buildings are there in the City and can any be advantageously removed to places less required by the business portion of the community? 96.—What land is occupied by the Naval and Military Authorities in the City and could any interest on 278 yea. If people believe that the

outside the City limits? 97.—Is any land elsewhore available, and if so

90 - Would the Hongkong Government he

building purposes, would the Hongkong Govern. | yen instrument of investment, and as a natural ment be in a position out of the rates to pay a consequence the premium on it is nearly doubled larger amount of subsidy for military purposes? in amount. It is much as though a man's stock 101. Would the making of tramways to in trade were suddenly multiplied by two withcute a counterpart when called upon, and the to one house occupies 3 folios of the different re-

settlement at Kowloon?

taking that should be commenced at once? the Colony where reclamations are desirable? few days. Jupan Mail,

POOTUNG WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY.

The fifth annual general meeting of the shareholders in this Company was held on the 10th and reserved from the grant, so that the lessee section holders from the sub-section holders and oription? How many trespassers and how many from the district of the sub-section holders and oription? How many trespassers and how many from the color of the sub-section holders and oription? How many trespassers and how many from the color of the sub-section holders and oription? Megers. H. J. Such, C. Jantzen, F. E. Haskell, 64.—What property is held by the Military and F. D. Bush (Directors), J. A. Ballard, A. C. and J. F. Rodewald, representing 814 shares. Mr. A. C. HUNTER, the Secretary, having read the notice convening the meeting,

The CHAIRMAN said-Gentlemen, the Ac-

counts and Report of the Directors have now been in your hands the usual time, and, as customary at similar meetings; with your permission we will take them as read. The explanations given in the Report. are very full and there is little to be added. The business of the past year has been very satisfactory and the Directors feel confident of a continuation of support in the future; our aim has been to afford every mility to the requirements of the business, and we hope to offer additional advantages as occasion demands. The present outlook is promise ing and we trust the results to our shareholders. for the coming year may prove satisfactory. We have succeeded in placing the balance of 219 preference shares at par, and all the capital of the Company is now paid up in full. Both Postung and Tunkadoo Wharves have been connected with the Settlement by telephone, and a direct commurication has been established between the two wharves. Mr. Peter Maclean hasresigned his position as Auditor in consequence of his intended departure from Shanghai, and the Directors have accepted the same with many regrets. We gladly take this opportunity to express our appreciation of his services, which, during his term of office, have given uniform satisfaction. Mr. James A. Taylor has been appointed to fill the vacancy and we shall propose that he by elected to serve until the next annual general meeting.

If any shareholder has any questions to ask shall be pleased to answer them. No questions being asked, the Chairman moved-"That the Roport and Accounts as presented be accepted and passed." Mr. C. JANTZEN seconded the motion, and its was carried unanimously,

Mr. J. F. RODEWALD proposed and Mr. J. BUCHANAN seconded- That Vesers. G. H. Wheeler, Such, J. ntzen, Haskell and Bush be elected Directors to serve until the next Annual General Meeting." Carried ananimously.

Mr. 11. J. SUCH proposed, Mr. F. E. HASKELL seconded, and it was unanimously agreed- That Mr. James A. Taylor be elected auditor to serve until the next Annual General Meeting." There being no further business, the Chairman thanked the shareholders present for their attendance. The meeting then terminated .-Shanghai Mercury.

JAPAN.

YOKOHAMA

The U.S. Consulate General had a very narrow escupe on the 5th instant from destruction by fire. At about 10.45 it was found that the interior of one of the abstairs bedroom walls was burning. An axe was con brought to bear apon the suspected portion, and an opening made, when the source of danger was quickly discovered. Water was plontifully thrown in and through the prompt measures taken a disastrons fire was averted. Mr. Morgin, with a hand spirino, was in attendance, and assisted miterially in suppressing the fire. The bedroom is considerably damaged both by fire and water, as also the room below it.

The water works of this town are gradually approaching completion, and should nothing unforeseen occur will be fluished this summer. The nrain and services are already laid in the streets : most of the fire hydrants fixed; and the water though some of the inrier houses will have constant strend laid on. The water will be pumped fro the Sagamiriver into a small receiving tank, and will then descend through the main to Nogeyama, where it will be turned into one of the three filter beds. Having passed through about 8% of fine sand and gravel in this filter bad it will flow into the service reservoir, which, when completed, will hold about three times the estipipes which descand into the town. The works 10.—How are the lets mentioned in the two of registration be likely to be taken advantage at Nogeyana being constructed chiaffy of conmonths in consequence of the frost, but operations will, in all probability, he recommenced boundaries have such boundaries been changed ascertain that it is not contrary to the terms of cessary only to describe the parties and the land ! heat month. It is proposed that every family boundaries have such boundaries been changed ascertain that it is not contrary to the terms of with changes in building by successive owners the Less and the sanction of the Government?

In as to render the boundaries so unrecognisable that they cannot be located as approximating the form of Squatter's Licence. Do you know leases? motor. - Japan Gazette.

The recent beem in the share market is remurkable. It has been most perceptible in the case of the shares of the Bank of Japan and the Yokohama Speciel Bank. Prior to 85.—Is the present system of granting Leases | the 25th ultimo, the shares of the former were quoted at 278 year approximately. This was already a very respectable figure, the original value of the shares being only 100 year. But on the 25th ult, a notice was issued by the Directors of the Bank, acquainting shareholders that hold property is not required by the Administra- a general inciting, would be held on February 19th to consider a project for increasing the capital of the concern. Immediately the shares leaped upwards. A few days ago they had 24.—Do you consider that with varying compensating them to the satisfaction of the value of the Crown Rent should be considered in quoted at 400. The Bank's capital amounts to sand shares of 200 yer each, one half the face value being paid up. The total appreciation of 55, ome ground is held upon Lease for 75 should be charged in a lump sum, or would it be this stock in the course of one week has cousequently amounted to upwards of six million yen, and it now stands at an actual premium of has produced this marked effect is that the capi-89.-At present no one knows who are the tal of the Bunk should be doubled, thus bring-Registrar of owners of Crown Leases of Inland paid up would become ton millions. Wth raand Marino Lots, Farm, Rural Building, and gard to the Specie Bank, its shares were selling Garden Lots, and by the Registrar General of a week age for about you 310, but their price holders of Squatters licences, and furnished to now is about 400. This also is attributable to a the Treasurer. The rents are collected by the project to increase the capital of the Bank to. Treasurer, who receives the amount from any one | twice its present amount, thus bringing it to six who chooses to pay. Does this practice leave million year. Next to the stock of these two institutions, that of the Nippon Railway Com-90 .- Are the amounts punctually collected or | pany exhibits the most promising record. All this is welcomed by the vernacular proas an indication that capitalists are beginning to turn their attention in the direction of busin as enterprise, instead of confining themselves -ntirely to Government socurities, though, at *

same time, the speculative spirit indicated by

such sudden changes is pointed to with some

but not at all felicitons. Considering that people have been willing to invest upwards of 40 millions of dollars within the past three years in Nakasendo Bonds, Naval Bonds, and Relarge amounts of capital are seeking secure and profitable employment. A share in a bank or similar institution simply means un instrument for investing a certain sum. When the shares of the Nippon Ginko were quoted at 278, the quotation signified that the profits realized by the Bank on every hundred 'yen of its paid up capital, were at least equal to the market rate of inducements be offered to them to remove their | Bank is in a position to employ twice as much equally ready to subscribe it, then a doubled share ought plainly to be worth 556 yea. The shares are now quoted at 400 yea, and when to 98.—Supposing the authorities were willing this is added the additional handred yes which each holder of a share will presumably be entility less than the quotation of a week ago. Of course this consideration does not affect the immense gain that accrues to present holders. The 100 yen instrument of investment which these fortunate folks had for sale a few days ago, has 100.—If the land were generally taken up for now become, or is immediately to become, a 200 in stocks, will contribute to restore a healthy 102.—Could any of the junk trade be removed | business tendency. When the possibility of reand incomparably less lucrative pursuits of legi-104.—What effect would the completion of the | timate trade. No one can view the state of the Praya between the Eastern and Western portious | money market in Japan at present without conof the City be likely to have? Is it an under- siderable uneasiness; and we are very far from sharing the satisfaction expressed by the Hochi 105 -Is there any portion of the sea shore in Shimbun with regard to the record of the past



No. 9093 號三十九	零千九第 日十三月正年	三十緒光 HONGKONG,	TUESDAY, FRBRUARY 22nd, 1	887. 二年禮 9	2二十二月二英港香	[PRICE \$2] PER MONTH
SHIPPING.	INTIMATIONS.	BANKS.	INTIMATIONS.	AUCTIONS.	INTIMATIONS.	NEW ADVERTISEMEN
ARRIVALS. February 21, CATTERTHUN, British str., 1.406, J. W. B. Darke, Adelaide 14th January, and Port Darwin 11th February, General, —Russell & Co. February 21, Oxus, French str., 3,675, Lequer- ré, Marseilles 16th Jounary, Port Said 21st, Suez 23rd; Aden 28th, Colombo 6th February, Singapore 12th, and Saigon 17th, Mails and General,—Massacerus Maritimes. February 21, Sherard Osech, British str., 875, W. Fawcus, Hainan Straits 20th Feb. —E. E. Telegraph Co. February 21, Fushon, Chines steamer, 1,504, Croad, Shanghai 18th February, General.—	HAVE JUST LANDED A FRESH SUPPLY OF H. CLAUSEN & SON'S: CHAMPAGNE LAGER BEER,	Court of Directors: Chairman—A. McIver, Esq. Deputy Chairman—M. Grote, Esq. Hon. J. Boll-Irving. C. D. Bottomley, Esq. H. L. Dalrymple, Esq. Hon. A. P. McEwen. W. H. F. Darby, Esq. Chief Manager. Hongkong—Thomas Jackson, Esq. Acting Chief Manager.	Eighteenth ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above named Company will be held at the Company soffice situate in Peddar's Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, THIS DAY, the 22nd day of February, 1887, at 12.30 of the olock in the Afteriacon to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1886, the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors. And Notice is hereby also given that at the	PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned has received instructions from Inspector John Lee to Sell by Public Auction, THIS DAY, the 22nd February, 1887, at 2 p.m., at his Residence No. 7, Elgin Street. THE WHOLE OF HIS HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., Comprising:— CRETONNE COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE, CENTRE TABLE, MIRRORS, PICTURES, KEROSINE CHANDELIER and LAMPS, and RUGS. DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARD, WHAT. NOTS. DINNER, and BREAKFAST SETS, GLASS and PLATED WARE. DOUBLE & SINGLE IRON BEDSTEADS.		(Taking Cargo and Passengers at throughor Ningpo, Cheroo, Newchwang, The Hankow, and Ports on the Yangte Company's Steamship

-WIELER & Co. CLEARANCES. AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE. 21st FEBRUARI.

Bothwell Castle, British str., for Saigon. Alwins, German str., for Macuo. Telamon, British str., for Amoy. Deuleros, German str., for Saigen. Hailoong, British str., for Swatow. Signal, German str., for Hoihow. Decima, German str., for Bangkok.

C. M. S. N. Co.

DEPARTURES. February 20, CARISBROOKE, Eritish steamer, for

February 21; QUARTA, German steamer, for Whampos.

February 21, MEEFOO, Chinematr., for Wham-February 21. SALTER, Frenchstr., for Haiphong. February 21, NUENBERG, Geman steamer, for

February 21, DEUTEROS, German steamer, for February 21, HAILOONG, British steamer, for Swatow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED. For Fushum, str., from Shanghai.—Mr. Short, and 41 Chinese. Per Catterthun, str., from Australia.-Mr. and Miss Parsons, Messrs. Dennys and Holtze, and

30 Chinese.: Per Grus, str., for Hongkong.-From Marsoilles. Mesars. Layrle, Juge Fairon, Mercier, Brisset, Breton, Busnel, Dunch, Layrle, Delchet, Remardet, Chabaud, Aubron, Brunio, Mercier, and Wegener. From Suez.—Mr. Levy From Aden. -1 Chinese. From Colombo. -Mr. Bizot., From Singapore.—Mesers. Conteman, Lorenz, and Bret. From Saigon.-Mr. and Mrs. Cope, Messrs Delpont, Lewis and G. Mansilla, and 69 Chinese. For Shanghai.—From Marseilles.-Mr. and Mrs. Butler, M. and Mme. Chollet, Mme. St. Germain, Messes. Byres, Moll Selves, Griffon, Roy and family, Strungels, Rouen, Lebedel, Guermeur, Lalosse, Yron, Mailland, Roubinet, and Riviere. For Yokohama.-From Marsell' 7. V' unt and Viscountess Shinagawa and Nakasame, Mars, and A

Per Numberg, str., for Broughts.—Capts. Rute, Krag, and Wiese, and Mr. A. Wolters. For Southampton. - Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin, and Mr. George Barker. For Colombo. -Mr. J. L. Jackson. For Singapore.—Mesers. Chan Ah Meh and Chan Ah Wan.

REPORTS. The Chinese steamer Fushin, from Shanghai 18th February, reports had moderate breeze and

fine weather. The British steamer Catterhun, from Adelaide reports experienced generally ine weather off the had a heavy N.W. monscon which lasted 2 days | FRIDAY, the 23rd, 24th and 25th instant. fine weather. On the 18th February spoke the str. Tai-yuan, off Ambolan Island, bound for Sydney.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

CHINA TRADERS INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

URING my Absence Mr. A. S. GARFIT By Order, W. H. BAY,

Secretary. Hongkong, 19th February, 1887. NOTICE,

FIGHE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY of the late Mr. GEORG TEEODOR SIEMS. SEN in our Firm Ceased on the 24th November. 1886, and that of Mr. PAUL GERHARD OFF DAY, SATURDAY, 26TH FEBRUARY. HUBBE on the Slat December, 1886. Mr. JACOB RUFF, has been authorized to

Sign our Firm per procuration from this date. SIEMSSEN & Co.

THE BEST BRAND OF MANILA FIRE CHUN HING SHOP has been

Established for many years in the Back Street, at the Head of the Large Bridge Manila. By selecting the very best quality of Leaf, and by the greatest care and skill in the Manufacture of Cigars, this Shop has succeeded in producing an article which is unexcelled for ite aroms and smoking qualities and for its freedom' from all adulterations and impurities. Accordingly, the Government has granted the Shop the Government Stampof Manila, and as a further protection each but is marked with THEEE Bs.

As these Cigars have earned a wide reputation for excellence; lately some unprincipled Persons have counterfeited the mark: therefore L. STAND and ENCLOSURE for Members of for the year 1887-88. the Partners of the Chun Hing Shop respect- the Jockey Club, Free; for Non-Members \$5 for BISCUIT. fully request their Customers to examine the the Meeting. For Admission to the New Stand SOFT BREAD, Covers of the Boxes and the wrappers within COCACO, CHUN HING SHOP, Manila,

Care of BANG BIENG HONG, Hongkong.

8th February, 1887.

NOTICE Have THIS DAY established myself as MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT, under the Style or Firm of TRD. NAUDIN. Hongkong, 1st February, 1887.

NOTICE THE Undersigned will enter into PARTNER-SHIP on the let January, 1887, as SHARE AND GENERAL BROKERS under the Style or Firm HUGHES & EZRA."

TOUGHES. Honghang, 31st depart

NOTICE R. YEE FOO is authorized to Sign my VI Firm or my name per procuration. KWONG CHEUNG FIRM, No. 40. Wellington Street.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1887.

February 21, ANTON, German steamer, 395, E Aereboe, Holhow 20th February, General. CHAMPAGNE

> LANE CRAWFORD & Co., SPECIAL AGENTS. Hongkong, 21st February, 1887.

ELLY" & WALSH, LIMITED, HAYE JUST RECEIVED The Hongkong Almanack, 1887. British Journal of Photography Alk., 1887. Year Book of Photography, 1887. Ruff's Winter Turf Guide. Tom Hood's Comic Annual, 1887.

Unwin's Annual-The Witching Time. Will's Bristol Bird's Eye Tobacco. Will's Three Castles Tobacco. Myrtle Grove Tobacco. Allen and Ginter's Richmond Mixture. Old Rip Tobacco. Little Beauties Cigarettes.

Richmond Straight Cut Cigarettes. A Magnificent Assortment of New American Birthday Cards. Chas. Dickens' Works, handsomely bound in Whatman's Drawing Paper-Rough, Smooth

and Medium. Photograph Scrap Albums. How to win at Nap 40 cents.
Unicode a capital little Telegraphic Code. Almanack de Gotha-French and German. Hitchcook Mechanical Lamps. Waterbury Watches-34 each. Whittaker's Almanacks. KELLY & WALSH, LD., HONGKONG.

McGregor's Engineer's Annual. More Whitaker's Almanacks.

Dixie's Chop Cut. Torkish Mixture. Cut Cable Coil. Perfection Tobacco. Virginia Bright's Cigarettes. Straight Cut No. 1 Cigarettes.

Richmond Mixture No. 2.

Old Rip Tobacco.

Old Rip Cigarettes. Gentlemen's Boots and Shoes. Ladies' French Evening Shoes. Ladies' French Kid Walking Shoes. Rubber Stamps made to order in a few days. W BREWER, Queen's Road.

UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL BANK HOLIDAYS. HONGKONG RACES.

34th January, and Port Darsin 11th February. FIGHE Undermentioned Banks will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business generally on terms to be had on application. Australian Coast. After leaving Port Darwin at Noon, TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, & and from thence to arrival meterate breeze and | FOR THE CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF India, London, and China, JOHN THURBURN

Manager, Hongkong. FOR THE CHARTEBED BANK OF INDIA, AUS-TRALIA, AND CHINA. T. H. WHITEHEAD, Manager, Hongkong. FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI DANKING advantageous terms.

CORPORATION, JOHN WALTER. Acting Chief Manager. has been appointed Aging Secretary. FOR THE COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS, C. C. INCHBALD.

Agent FOR THE NEW OBJENTAL BANK CORPOBATION, LIMITED.

H. A. HERBERT. Manager, Hongkong. Hongkong, 17th February, 1887. HONGKONG RACES, 1887.

THE "ROADSTERS PLATE," Presented

by the "Hongkong Jockey Club." For Ponies that have been hacked in the Hongkong & China, 14th February, 1887. | 401 | Colony and the property of Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club for at least three months prior to date of Entry, and not otherwise entered at this Meeting. Weight list, 71bs. Previous Winners 7 lbs. extra. To be ridden by Members of the "Hongkong Jockey Club." who have never had a wining mount in Hongkong and Chive.

Entrance \$5 to go to Second Pony. Distance Once Round. Entries to close to the CLERK OF THE COURSE, on or before TO-DAY, the 22nd J. GRANT.

Acting Clerk of the Course. Hougkong, 18th February, 1887. HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, & FRIDAY 23rd, 24th, and 25th February, 1887.

\$1 per diem. BULE 16 TICKETS of ADMISSION to the FRESH BEEF, Grand Stand and Enclosure to be had on appli. FRESH VEGETABLES, and cation to H. A. HERBERT, Esq., Honorary FRESH POTATOES. FRESHWATER No. 16, Benham Strand West Treasurer, and at the Gate on Race Days. No FRESH MILK. one admitted without a Ticket, to be shown to Printed Forms of Tenders and further parti-311 the GATE-KEEPER.

J. GRANT, Acting Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, 17th February, 1887.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB. THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of the Presence of the LADIES at the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE during the Baces on the 23rd, 24th and 25th instant. By Order,

J. GRANT, Acting Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, 17th February, 1887.

NOW READY. THE FEIHOO WALTZES

R. C. PASSMORE. published by SYDENHAM MOUTRIE, Shanghai. 12th January, 1887.

MANAGER. Shanghai-Ewen Cameron, Esq. LONDON BANKERS-LONDON & COUNTY BANK.

HONGKONG-INTEREST ALLOWED. On Current Deposit Account at the rate par cant, per Annum on the daily balance. On Fixed Deposits:-. For 3 months 3 per Cent. per Annum.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. CREDITS granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. DRAFTS granted on Lordon and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia.

For 6 months 4 per Cent. per Annum.

For 12 months 5 per Cent. per Annum.

America, China and Japan. JOHN WALTER, Acting Chief Manager. Hongkong, 28th August, 1886.

TOULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK:

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghol Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3: Saturdays, 10 to 1. 2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.
3.—Depositors in the Savings Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest. 4.—Interest at the rate of 31 per cent. per

annum will be allowed to Depositors on their daily balances. 5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book, which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books, but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July. 6.—Correspondence as to the business of the

Bank if marked On Hongkong Savings Bank BUSINESS is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China. 7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the Depositor or his duly appointed Agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary. For the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank-ING CORPORATION.

JOHN WALTER. Acting Chief Manager. Hongkong, 8th May, 1885.

CORPORATION, LIMITED. AUTHORISED CAPITAL£2,000,000.

PAID UP £ 500,000. Registered Office, 40, Threadneedle Street, 22nd instant, both days inclusive.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE COLONIES. THE BANK receives, money, on Deposit Buys and Sells Bills of Exchange, issues Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection.

and Transacts Banking and Agency Business Interest allowed on Deposits:-Fixed for 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum. Fixed for 6 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum. Fixed for 3 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum.

Annum on the daily balance. APPROVED CLAIMS on the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, in Liquidation, or the BALANCES of such Claims purchased on

SOCIETY. H. A. HERBERT,

Agency of the National Life Assurance. Manager, Hongkong Branch.

Hongkong, 31st May, 1886. NTIMATIONS

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION IN LIQUIDATION.

PAYMENT OF 4TH DIVIDEND.

FOURTH DIVIDEND of 61 per Cent. on all CLAIMS against the Hongkong Branch of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, that have been approved by the Court of Chaucery will be paid on and after MONDAY NEXT, the 21st February, at the Offices of the NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED. The 4th Dividend is payable on all Claims on which previous Dividends have been paid. CREDITORS are requested to apply to the Bank for their Dividendsand to produce the letter they hold from the Official Liquidator, admitting their Claims, in order that the payment of the

4th Dividend may be endorsed thereon. · H. A. HERBERT, Oriental Bank Corporation. 2, Queen's Road 19th February, 1887.

NAVAL CONTRACTS, 1887-88. CEALED TENDERS, in Duplicate, will be received by the Undersigned until 10 A.M., WEDNESDAY, the 2nd I'mimo, from Persons desirous of SUPPLYIN the Under-TOULE 15.—Admission to the Grand mentioned Articles for the use of H. M. NAVY

RICE. FLOUR, SUGAR,

culars can be obtained at the NAVAL STORE-KERPER'S OFFICE. The right to reject the lowest or any Tender

W. H. LOBB, Naval and Victualling Storekeeper. H. M. Viotualling Yard. Hongkong, 21st February, 1887. THE SHANGHAI DOCK COMPANY. TENDERS are invited for a lease of the CHIEF JUSTICE should be asked to preside. Company's Dock in Hongkew known as the Old Dock and at present in the occupation attend. [382] of Messrs. S. C. FARNHAM & Co. for a term of . not less than three and not exceeding ten years from the 1st of July next.

Persons tendering should state the nature 173 FINE KUNG HO CHIH YU WALTZ, of the security they propose giving for payment of the rent and the due performance of the conditions of the lease and should send in their tenders not later than the 31st of March next. to Messrs. MyBurgh & Dowdall, the Secreturies of the Campany, No. 21, Foochow Road, where further Particulars can be obtained. Possession or Later. THE PLANOPORTE AND MUSIC WAREHOUSE, The Company does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender. Shanghai, 1st February, 1887.

MERTING of the Company will be held for the purpose of passing the subjoined resolution. Should the resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation COLLARD. as a SPECIAL RESOLUTION to B SECOND EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING which will be subsequently

RESOLUTION. That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following: The following Article shall be substituted

Reserve Fund shall consist of a sum of not to Sell by Public Austion, on less than \$1,000,000 nor more than \$1,500,000. for Article No. 112, namely:-112.-The Reserve. Fund having now reached the sum of \$1,000,000 the General Managers and from time to time so much of the profits as they may deem desirable to the Reserve Fund until the said Fund shall amount to the sum of \$1,500,000 provided always that such annual appropriation shall not exceed

10 per Cent, of the said profits. The following Article shall be substituted for Article No. 115, namely:-115 -Thesaid Reserve Fund shall, if practicable be maintained at a sum of not less than \$1,000,000 nor more than \$1,500,000 and the whole of the future accruing profits of the Company shall, subject to such annual Bonus as aforesaid and less such portion or portions (if any) thereof (not exceeding in any year 30 per Cent, of the profits of such year) as the General Managers may (as they are hereby empowered to do) apply in maintainthan \$1,000,000 and less also such portion to Sell by Public Auction, on or portions (if any) thereof as may from time to time be applied in increasing the said: Reserve Fund under Article 112 be divisible amongst the Shareholders generally | The according to the number of Shares held by

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 22nd day of February both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers,

Hongkong, Fire Insurance Co., Limited Hongkong, 22nd February, 1887. THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. FITHE EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY [9] Office, No. 43, Queen's Road, Victoria, at THREE O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON THIS DAY. ORIENTAL BANK the 22nd February instant, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts, and the Report of the Directors for the year stiding dist

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th instant to the By Order. JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1887. HONGKONG ICE COMPANY. LIMITED.

FINE SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, Pedder's IN THE AFTERNOON, or so soon afterwards as Street, THIS DAY, the 22nd instant, at the Ordinary Annual Vecting shall be concluded, On Current Deposit Accounts 2 per Cent. per lalso to discuss any matters that may be competently brought before the Meeting. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to 22nd instant

both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 22nd February, 1887. HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING L OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of the Company No. 14. Praya Central, on SATURDAY, the 2:th February, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to December 31st, 1886. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 26th February, both days inclusived

By Order of the Board of Directors, D. GILLIES, Hongkong, 20th January, 1887. HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDIN-ARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SA-Attorney for the Official Liquidator, TURDAY, the 26th day of February Current, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors

405 together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1886. By Order of the Court of Directors, JOHN WALTER. Acting Chief Manager. Hongkong, det February, 1887. HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION. NOTICE is hereby given that the REGIS-TERSOF SHARES of the Corporation will be closed from the 12th to the 26th day of 5 .- That the purchase of Inland Lots Nos. 729 | Hongkong, 21st February, 1887. February Current (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be re-

By Order of the Court of Directors JOHN WALTER. Acting Chief Manager, Hongkong, 1st February, 1887.

T a PRELIMINARY MEETING held on THURSDAY, the 17th instant, to consider 1887 what steps should be taken to celebrate HER MAJESTY'S JUBILEE it was unanimously resolved that a PUBLIC MEETING should be convened for WEDNESDAY, the 2nd Proxime, at 4.30 P.M., and that the Hon. THE All Members of the Community are invited to

The Meeting will be held in the CITY HALL. By Order, A. K. TRAVERS, J. H. STEWART-LOCKHART, containing also a similar Table regarding. Hon. Secretaries. Hongkong, 19th February, 1887.

FAMILY RESIDENCE of 5 or 6 Rooms, DETACHED HOUSE, with Immediate Address,

WANTED.

Care of Daily Press Office Hongkong, 6th January, 1887.

WARDROBES, CHEST OF DRAWERS, MARBLE TOP WASHSTAND, TOILET TABLE and TOILET GLASS. A COTTAGE PIANO, by COLLARD TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary. J. M. ARMSTRONG.

PUBLIC AUCTION. for Article No. 111, namely :-- 111.-The FYTHE Undersigned has received instructions Christo........ Master Magnus Salinger

Hongkong, 16th February, 1887.

Auctioneer.

The following Article shall be substituted the 28th February, 1887, at 11 A.M., on BOLED,— THE BRITISH THREE-MASTED SCHOONER "WANDERING MINSTREL,"

the Consulting Committee may appropriate of 362 Tons Register, Built in 1875, and Newly Sheathed with Yellow Metal, with all her TACKLE and APPAREL as the then lies in the Harbour, near the COSMCFOLITAN TERMS OF SALE -One-third of the Purchase

> Money to be paid after fall of hammer, the remainder upon transfer; the Vessel to be at Purchaser's risk immediately after being knocked A STEAM LAUNCH will leave Fedder's Whari at 10.45 A.M. For further Particulars, apply to the

AUCTIONEES. G. R. LAMMERT. Auctioneer. Hongkong, 7th February, 1887. PUBLIC AUCTION.

ing the Reserve Found at a sum of not less FIRE Undersigned has received instructions THURSDAY, the 10th March, 1887, at Noon,

> British Screw Steamer "CRUSADER" of 1,022 Tons gross and 647 Tons net Register, will all her TACKLE and APPAREL as she lies moored in the harbour of Hongkong. money on fall of the hammer, the remainder on

On BOARD.

transfer. The Steamer to be at Furchasers' risk from time of Sale. A Steam Launch will leave Pedder's Wharf at 11.45 A.M. For further particulars and cards to inspect, apply to

G. R. LAMMERT, Auctioneer. Hongkong, 18th February, 1887.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the GENERAL AGENTS, Pedder's Street, on THURSDAY, the 10th March, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the

Accounts to 31st December, 1886. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 25th AND NOTICE is also hereby given that at the same place and on the same day at 12.15 o'clock IN THE AFTERNOON, or so soon afterwards as an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEET-Should the Resolutions be passed by the required

at a Second Extracedinabl Meeting, of which due Notice will be given. PROPOSED SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS 1.—That the present Capital of the CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED, be increased from \$900,000 to \$1,500,000 by the

issue of 6,000 New Shares of \$100 each, to be assed at par. 2.—That the price of issue of each of the said new shares be fully paid up by the Allottee on the 31st March, 1887, together with the sum of \$2 for each Share by way of interest on such Share from the 1st January, 1887. to the 31st March, 1887, at the rate of \$8, per cent. per annum.

-The holder of each of the said new shares shall be entitled to participate in the prob's of the Company as from the 1st Januar 1887, equally with the holders of the presen Capital of \$900,000. 4.—That the said new shares be offered in the

first place in such manner and at such times as the General Agents shall think fit to the Persons who shall, on the 25th day of February, 1887, be the registered holders of the old, or present, Shares in the proportion following, that is to say, two New Shares shall be offered to avery holder of a complete number of three of the said old or present Shares, and shall be accepted or not within the time limited for that purpose by the General Agents, and that any new share or shares offered in manner aforesaid, and not accepted within the time so limited, and also any share or shares which the General manner aforesaid by reason of their being no holder, or holders, of a complete number such Persons, upon such terms, and in such | and after the 21st inst. manner and way in every respect as they shall in their discretion think best in the in- will be subject to Rent. terests of the Company. and 750, Victoria, Houghong, at the agreed

price of \$60,000 be now formally confirmed and these lands transferred into the Company's name: JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents. CHINA SUGAR REPINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

MAIL TABLES: MAIL TABLES.

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Hongkong, 21st February, 1887.

Showing Dates of DEPARTURE of the fore NOON, TO-DAY (MONDAY) requesting it ENGLISH and FRENCH MAILS from Hong- to be landed here. KONG, of their anticipated ARRIVALS in LONDON. and the Dates of RETURN DESPARCHES; and

AN ALMANAC FOR 1887. On Paper 10 Cants each, or One Dollar per Dozen. On Cardboard 20 Cents each ANGLO-CHINESE CALENDAR. On Cardboard 10 Cents. Daily Press" Office,

PARCEL POST

Public in general on this occasion.

CHARACTERS HENRI ... Marquis de Corneville ... Mr. A. RIGEY BAILIFF OF CORNEVILLE ... Mr. FRANK D'ESTE GORO His Factotum Mr. G. C. WILSON GRENICHEAUX, A Fisher Lad, Mr. A. FAWCETT GASPARD... A Miser... Mr. HERBERT SALINGER SERPOLETE... A Waif... Miss LENA SALINGER Gaspard's Niece Miss TILLY MANETTE) Village] Mrs. N. SALINGER SUZANNE | Gossips | Miss Alice Emmett

APPOINTMENTS. Mr. HERBERT W. POWYS WOOD,

SPLENDID NEW COSTUMES AND

Musical Director. By kind permission of Colonel Anderson --and Orricers, the Band of the Northampton NOTICE. shire Regiment will play during the interval.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:-Dress Circle & Stalls \$2. Back Seats 31. Military and Sailors in uniform Half Price to FITHE Company's Steamship back seats only.

To avoid disappointment secure your seats early.

Reserved Seats may be booked at Messra. KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED, where a Plan of the Hall may be seen. Doors open at 8.30-p.m. To commence at 9

Hongkong, 21st February, 1887. LODGE. ZETLAND

A N EMERGENCY MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL Zetland Street, on FRIDAY, the 25th instant, at 8.3 TERMS OF SALE.—One third of the purchase | 9 P.M., precisely. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially INVITED. Hongkong, 17th February, 1887.

No. 525.

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO. TATHEREAS a Grant of Land known at Sandakan Town Grant No. 19, registored in the name of TAN YOW FONG (of Chan Yuen Street, Canton) is held by YONG SUNG of Sandakan as security for a Debt of certain monies lent to YEXSAM in July, 1884, NOTICE is hereby given that the said Grant will be registered in the name of the said YONG SUNG, unless cause is shown to the contrary

before the 6th of April, 1887 HENRY WALKER, Commissioner of Lands. Sandakan, 6th January, 1887.

General Agents; together with a Statement of THIE Undersigned. Agents for Messrs. and Passage, apply to the Agency of the Com-E.E. ABRAHAMSON & Co., Sandakan, pany, Praya Central. British North Borneo, are now prepared to submit for inspection Samples of hard and soft Instant, to the 10th Proxime, both days TIMEERS suitable for Wharves, Building and General purposes. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

TIMBER

Hongkong, 2nd November, 1886. WING TAI & Accounts of the company to Sist December, purpose of passing the subjoined Resolutions. COAL MERCHANTS. majority they will be submitted for Confirmation | FRESH PROVISIONS SUPPLIED AT THE

> No. 25, PRAYA CENTRAL. 發炭煤司公泰榮 STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

SHORTEST NOTICE,

INVESTED FUNDS..................£6,466,527 ENDOWMENT ASSUR-Are granted under ANCE POLICIES liberal conditions as SECURED PAYMENT regards Rates, Non-Policies forfeiture, Surrenders Redirement Annuity and Revival.

Policies TIVERY facility is afforded for desputch of Business. Promiums moderate. Proposal Forms on application. THE BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED, Agents, Hongkong, Hongkong, 20th April 1886.

ADVERTISEMENTS. TO CONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO EX O. S.S. CO.'S S.S. "TELAMON."

FROM LIVERPOOL. CHIPPING Orders must be obtained from the Undersigned not later than the 23rd inst. for shipment per steamer "HECTOR." BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 21st February, 1887. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Agents shall have been unable to offer in CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer manner aforesaid by reason of their being "TELAMON." are hereby notified that the Cargo is being dis or complete numbers of three of the said charged into Craft, and/or landed at the old or present shares, shall be disposed of Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it and allotted by the General Agents and will lie at Consignees risk. The Cargo will be Consulting Committee at such times, to ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on Goods undelivered after the 28th instant,

> STEAMSHIP "OXUS." COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

> > NOTICE.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London. Antwerp, Havre, and Bordesux, Ex S. S. "MEDOC," and "FREDERIC MOREL." in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH at their risks at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Under signed: Goods remaining unclaimed after 28th inst., MONDAY, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges at One Cent per package per

intimation is received from the Consignees be-

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 2nd March, (WEDNESDAY), or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance has been effected. G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

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Captain Jackson, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 22nd inst;, at Four P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents Hongkong, 21st February, 1887

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

HE Company's Steamship

Hongkong, 21st February, 1887.

"MENZALEH," Captain Bonois, will be despatched for KOBÉ AND YOKOHAMA. TO-MORROW, the 23rd inst, at DAYLIGHT. G. DE . HAMPEAUX, .

Agent.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS

Captain Lequerre, will be despatched for SHANGHAI. TO-MORROW, the 23rd just, at DAYLIGHT. G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Hongkong, 21st February, 1887. INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAL Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for Cherco, Hankow and Ports on the YANGTSZE). THE Company's Steamship

"CANTON."

Captain Bremner, will be despatched as above

TO-MORROW, the 23rd inst., at ELEVEN For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 21st February 1887. AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY. STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG. COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN. SUEZ. PORT SAID, BRINDISI, & TRIESTE. (Taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA,

MADRAS, PEESIAN GULF, BLACK SEA.

LEVANT & ADRIATIC PORTS). THE Company's Steamship " THISBE," |313 | Captain L. Lemesich, will be despatched as on FRIDAY, the 25th instant, For Further Particulars regarding Freight

O. BACHRACH, Agent. Hongkong, 21st February, 1887. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE, AND NAGASAKI (Passing through the INLAND SEA) THE Company's Steamship "GENERAL WERDER," Captain W. von Schukmann, will leave for the

NOTICE.

For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 22nd February, 1887. NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVI GATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

above Ports on or about the 27th instant

SOURABAYA. (VIA SAIGON AND SINGAPORE). THE Company's Steamship "BANTAM," Captain Scholten, will be despatched as above on or about the 28th inst. For Freight or Passage apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

FOR BATAVIA, SAMARANG, AND

Hongkong, 21st February, 1887. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"BRAUNSCHWEIG." Captain Störmer, will leave for the above place about 24 hours after arrival with the outward German Mail. For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co.,

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1887.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. NOTICE. STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ. PORT SAID, TRIESTE,

BRINDISI, ANTWERP. BREMEN. AND HAMBURG PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS: LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BAL-TIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,

GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS. THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUBBIA.

N MONDAY, the 21st day of March' 1887, at Noon, the Company's Steamship "BRAUNSCHWEIG," Captain Stormer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on Board until 4 P.M. Specie and Parcels until 3 P. W., on the 20th of March, 1887. (Parcels are not to be sent on Board; they must be left at the Agency's Office), Contents and Value of Packages are required. The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

MELCHERS & Co., Hongkong, 22nd February, 1887.

For Further Particulars, apply to

Hongkong, 11th January, 1887.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1887.

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Erchange. NEW YORK Mr. A. Wind, 21, Park Row. Daily Press Office, January 1887.

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WATSON & LIMITED. are now offering for Sale at greatly reduce: prices the remainder of their BEASON'S STOCK

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A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED HONGKONG DISPENSARY. Hongkong, 14th January, 1887.

CRACKERS,

BIRTHS. At Yokohama, on the 4th February, the wife of H. TALBOT, of a daughter. At Yokohama, on the 5th February, Mrs. F. Grosggg, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES On the 4th January, at St. Mark's, Upper Hamilton-terrace, N.W., by the Rev. Canon Duckworth, D.D., Vicar, HARRY STANBOPE, third son of Samuel Rawson, late of Hougkong, to Isasez Ana, only daughter of the late J. Capel Hanbury, and stepdaughter of Frederick J. Boberts, of the Middle Temple, Barrister-at-law. At the Cathedral, Shanghai, on the 14th February by the Rev. H. C. Hodges, M.A., MAXWELL JAMES SANDERS to JESSIE VILEN, eldest daughter of the late Frederick John Nash, of London.

DEATHS. On the 5th January, at Bruges, ADELINE HUTTLES-TON, widow of John McDonall, late Manager of the Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong. At 9-A. Tsukiji, Tokyo, on the 6th February, HAR-OLD, the infant son of Roy. W. J. White. On the 7th February, at No. 56, Blue, Yokohama, Mr. PETER STINGELIN, of Basic, Switzerland, aged At No. 223-D, Bluff, Yokohama, on the morning

the 10th February, FRANCIS PROWER, aged 33 years CORY, beloved wife of Roy, Theodore M. MacNair aged twenty-sight years.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 22nd, 1887.

The delivery of the French mail was begun at 9.25 yesterday morning.

nounces the death of M. Raoul Duval.

M. Lanessan arrived at Saigon by the Messageries Maritimes steamer Oxus on a colonial The following is the return of visitors to the

City Hall Museum for the week ending 20th February :- Europeana 233; Chinese, 2.819. The French gunboat Pareeval, Captain Foret, arrived in Singapore on the 11th inst. from Pou-

dichery, and was to leave for Hongkong after The Mercury says that a telegram was received in Shanghai on the 17th inst. saying that Take

is free of ice, and the Peiho will be navigable in a week's time. Rear-Admiral Layrle arrived here by the

Messageries Maritimes steamer Oxys yesterday to take over the command of the French squadron in these waters.

Viscount Shinagawa, late Japanese Minister to France, and the Viscountess Shinagawa arrived from Europe by the Messageries Mari-

times steamer Ozus yesterday, en route to Japan. The Agents (Messrs. Melchers & Co.) inform ns that the Norddeutscher Lloyd's stramer Braunschweig, with the next German mail, from Berlin, left Singapore on Saturday for this

The Bangkok Times is glad to hear that Mi J. M. Fidelis da Costa (Hlung Rajayasadhak) Chief Inspector of Customs, has been honoured by His Majesty the King of Siam with the order of an officer of the Crown of Siam.

We would remind our readers of the Chora Festival to be held at St. John's Cathedral this afternoon, commencing at 5.15 p.m., when the members of the Choral Society and the Choir will sing Gaul's cantata "The Holy City."

talked about for some time past, was killed the likewise going to Yokohama. To Shanghai s James. His last victim, says the Inda Chinaise, to Bangkok some £2,0 0 of sundry machinery. was an ox belonging to M. Arduzer, the Mes-

sageries Maritimes pilot. The Indo-Chinoiss of the 12th instant says it was rumoured at Saigon that Lieut. MacMahon post under the Japanese Government. This is Mulberry, causing attention to be given to its had been murdered in Tenquin. No mention of the first appointment as a result of the mission each an occurrence was made in the Tonquin of General Saige, Japanese Minister of Marine, papers up to the 13th instant, and the rumour | to this country.

is therefore probably false. A telegram in the Australian papers, dated London, 25th January, says :- " Sir George being granted, and Mr. Stanhope was very dis-Strahan, K.C. M.G., late Governor of Tasmania, inclined for some time to give way. It creates a and Governor-elect of Hongkong in succession | precedent for other Governors to request the

of the Order conferred upon him."

A fatal accident courred on Bunday at No. 61, First-street. A girl five years of age, named Fung Yut Fun, fell from a staircase which ship Company had a meeting of shareholders on bones were broken, did not think the child was was called to sanction the conversion of the yet injured, and they refused to send it to the Hos- unpaid portion of the First Preference Loan, robbery with violence in a hut in Kennedy Town, sibly have been able to see what was done in that cutting into her starboard boiler. The steamer proved accidental death was returned. An inquest was ments of the East Indian trade. It is intended, he had held him down while the other two rob- ed them more than to brush one aside which 6.—The said collision and the damages and losses found floating in the harbour on Saturday. The large dimensions, and provided with the most body was not identified, and there was no evid: approved appliances in shipbuilding. The Board insighted as the same out to his assistance on the banana trees being broken but he cannot body was not identified, and there was no evidspecies as to how it got into the water. The jury
splurned a verdict of found drowned.

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but the book is, as usual, remarkably well got up. Hotchkiss guns. The vessel also is provided and during the first six months of his imprison-The Bangkok Times learns that about 68

British born subjects registered themselves at Orders may be sent to Daily Press Office, where the Legation during last month, and more than 1,000 Orientals, claiming British protection, came to pay their two Ticals. Probably, our will transfer their naturalisation papers later tion under which it has been held. China has leged that the charge was only brought against you at the time. on, and sell them at a premium.

date for the throne of Hulgaria, has been in the justify the supposition that no encroachments boy had known him for some time, and had had The constable, re-called, said-I did not see

not be very beneficial to our late Attorney-Ge- the Douglas Steamship Company (Limited), of the boy with a chopper in such a murderons No. 1 beat, which takes me about half an hour neral, seeing that the selary of the Colonial Se- Hongkong. Her principal dimensions are: manner that it was a wonder the boy was not to go round. I can go round in 20 minutes if I about amidship. oretary of Natal is £1,000, whilst that of his new | Length over all, 284.6 feet; breadth, 35 feet; office is ks.13,500, about its equivalent, allowing depth moulded, 26.3 feet, and, being for the tured his skull, and the medical evidence was to the night. Sometimes 1 stop and look in places. for exchange. The salary of the Attorney-Ge- China consting trade, she will be fitted with teak effect that his life was in very great danger for By the Court—I should not know the man for exchange. The salary of the Attorney-General of Caylon is Rs.18,000; but now that Sir John Pope Hennessy is suspended from office; Mr. Fleming will not have gone from the frying pan into the fire.

China coasting trade, she will be fitted with this life was in very great danger for layer and the first class style for passenger trade, as well as the prisoner would certainly have been hanged. Pulling down the trees. I only saw the effect that his life was in very great danger for who was with you. I am sure both men were improper manner.

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been said by the English Press, do not by any christened the Haitan by Miss Florence L. kept to penal servitude for five years, and to re- Botanical and Afforestation Department. The series and improper act of those on heard the War Nienmeans give unqualified satisfaction. To give Diron, daughter of her builder. them a thorough testing, the rails were laid on supports three feet apart, and a monkey weigh. ing half a ton was allowed to fall on them with a drop of twenty feet. We are informed that 25 per cont. of the rails made by one of the leading German makers enapped asunder like glass, for exhibition before the manufacturers and whilst others that had been rolled by Messrs. Cammell stood the test admirably. All the rails trade with China. The British Consul at were of the ordinary flat bottom or bridge type, weighing 62 lbs. to the yard.

mander James D. Graham arrived in that city stances were down a third of their original on the 12th ult. from Weshington with instruc- length. This seems to him to indicate a preference tions to take charge of the man-of-war. Alert. for European steel, and that were tools made of The Alert came in from a cruise in the China such steel obtainable at anything like the market seas last July under command of Commander rate for Chinese tools a large trade might be the land, where she has been undergoing repairs and portant part in Chinese house building. Fine There have also arrived in this city with similar requirements being durability and cheapness. instructions to report at the Alert for duty. Lieutenant C. B. T. Moore, Engineer B. C. Gowing, and Cadet Engineer M. A. Anderson. It is the expectation and hope of the officers that the Alert will be ordered back to China.

tion all over the country, from the capital right | ness of merchants, agents, and planters, in and down to her most remote province. The follow- with British North Borneo, and of acquiring a ing lines, under the direction of H.R.H. the concession of 20,000 acres of land granted by the 22 Minister for Posts and Telegraphs are being Government of that territory, and conveniently actively pushed forward; viz. :- A triplicate one situated in the neighbourhood of Sandakan. It from Bangkok, via the West Coast of the is proposed to carry on trading and planting, Gulf of Siam, to Singora, Keddah, and Province | the profits of the company being derived from Wellesloy, to be continued from Keddah along the following sources, viz. :- The sale of the tim- ment. residing at "Beryl," Kowloon, was before the Siamese coast line in the Bay of Bengal, to ber, forest and other produce on its estates, and the Court, on remand, on the charge of having Purlis, Rehnwang, and Kra. We understand the cultivation and sale of agricultural produce. wilfully and maliciously damaged certain public that the Indian Government intend to extend Advances to natives or planters for agricultural property, to wit, 41 banana trees on the road from their lines from Tavoy, via Malliwan, to join the purposes, and purchase and sale of the produce. the Tsim Tea Tsui public wharf to the Kowloon Siamese wire at Kra. Branch lines are also to The business of land agents, acquiring building Club.

Lord Cross, speaking at Ashton, said: -"There was in parts of China great competition between English and Russian goods. He maintained that English goods ought to be the best and Dunn. observed to any going Mto foreign markets. If they were to win favour in foreign markets they must send out good articles. The report which reached him was that the Russians were heating them out of particular markets because of the bad class and fraudulent character of the English At Tokyo, on the 11th February, ANNETTE GEE. goods that had been sent. He believed any one sending out fraudulently manufactured goods was committing a crime against the State and a fraudulent action against honest manufacturers. Wherever English goods went he wanted them to be known, not only for their chaspness, but for their excellence. For Heaven's sake let them send out honest goods.". With reference to this I rish people to refuse to pay taxes. speech, the Pall Mall Gazette says:-- "We have made inquiries on the subject, and find that his lordship must have been misinformed. A gentleman connected with a large mercantile house which commands a leading position in the East assures us that the Russian competition is confined to one article-namely, wooll n goods-and A Havas telegram received at Saigon and that this is a frontier trade which we as a marifrontier opens the Chinese market naturally to and Clermont-Ferrand, on the advantages offered the Russian merchant, and in the matter of transit alone we cannot compete. But beyond by the preserving of bananas in Annam :that Russia has enjoyed an advantage in the tariff since the Kuldis dispute was settled. In a similar manuer the frontier arrangement be-

tween France and Tonquin gives more favour able frontier duties to France than to traders with the maritime provinces of China." The following items are from the London and

China Express of the 14th January:-The ratifications of the Convention relating to Burmah have not yet been exchanged.

The demand for Mexicans on French account for shipment to Indo China is still as strong as present enhanced price.

We hear that no application has been made for the extension of Sir Fred. A. Weld's term of Governorship of the Straits Settlements. No appointment of a successor has yet been made. A marriage is arranged between Mr. N.

Conor, late of Peking and now of Bulgaria, and Miss liope, daughter of Mr. and Lady Victoria Hope-Scott, and a niece of the Duke of

It is announced from Madrid that General Terreros, Captain-General of the Philippine Islands, is about to be recalled. and that he will be replaced by General Pavia, at present Captain-General of Madrid

Lieutenant-Commander John Devison has Hongkong Hospital.

some 5,000 lbs of dynamite and detonators to the through which the worm passes in its existence, and I did not enter my gets at once, as the conother day near the telegraph station at Cape St. I locomotive is being shipped from Glasgow, and

The Lords of the Admiralty have sanctioned the acceptance by Captain J. Inglis, of the Assistance, for a period of three years, of a naval

There was some opposition at the Colonialoffice to the extended leave of Sin George Bowen to Bir George Bowen, has had the Grand Cross same when on leave, and the inconvenience which would be caused if all were granted will be readily understoc L

The Huard of Managers of the Kingsin Steampassed up the outside of the house at the back. | the 8th inst Mr. F. G. Smidt presided, and 787 The parents, not being able to find that any shareholders were represent. The meeting pital. The child died the same evening, having and to discuss the best means for acquiring some was brought up to receive sentence. body was not identified, and there was no evid- approved appliances in shipbuilding. The Board neighbour, who came out to his assistance on the banana trees being broken, but he cannot

with four tubes for firing torpedoes.

tion of Port Hamilton to Chine (as the suzerain a lad named Lau Achan with intent to do him our recent announcement of the fact that it had the boy, in a house in Jardine's Baznar, was next been decided to terminate the temperary cocupa- put in the dock. He denied his guilt, and alno other foreign flag shall be heisted on the His fordship said there was no doubt the boy son for not doing so. I should like to say what flood with a force of about half a knot an hou the be partly attributed to the gravity of the poli-The Straits Times of the 10th inst. says:— islands, but that she had such emphatic assurances had been seriously wounded, and it was not likely that reason is. I am informed that if I did so weather was overcast and hazy. The Nepaul had all had been seriously wounded, and it was not likely that reason is. I am informed that if I did so weather was overcast and hazy. The Nepaul had all had been seriously wounded, and it was not likely that reason is. I am informed that if I did so weather was overcast and hazy. The Nepaul had all had been seriously wounded, and it was not likely that reason is. I am informed that if I did so weather was overcast and hazy. The Nepaul had all had been seriously wounded, and it was not likely that reason is. I am informed that if I did so weather was overcast and hazy. The Nepaul had all had been seriously wounded, and it was not likely that reason is. I am informed that if I did so weather was overcast and hazy. The Nepaul had all had been seriously wounded, and it was not likely that reason is. I am informed that if I did so weather was overcast and hazy. The Nepaul had all had been seriously wounded, and it was not likely that reason is. I am informed that if I did so weather was overcast and hazy.

common use by Chinese carpenters have been received by the Sheffield Chamber of Commerce artisans of the town, with a view to stimulate Swatow, by whom the goods were forwarded, says he has always noticed in the Chinese carpenter's tool-box at least one, if not more, old The Sau Francisco Chronicle says that Com- | Huropean plane-irons or chisels, in many in-Charles J. Barolay. She was sent to Mare is consequence, for the carponter plays a very imhas now received a new fitting and a cost of paint. finish and polish were quit- unnecessary, the only

The British Borneo Trading and Planting Company (Limited) is being circulated privately for subscription at the present time. It has a positions. capital of 2100,000 in 21 shares. Of these the present issue is £30,000. The company has been Siam will soon possess telegraphic communica- formed for the purpose of carrying on the busihas been fixed at £3,500 in cash, £1,500 fully paid ordinary shares, and £10,000 in fully paid deferred shares. The concessionaire is Mr. J. J.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS."] LONDON, 19th February. AFFAIRS IN IRELAND. The reports from Ireland indicate daily in-

creasing resistance to the law and general A letter from Archbishop Croke advises the

M. PAUL BERT ON TONQUIN

M. Paul Bert, late Resident-General of Tonquin, forwarded to the Minister of Commerce time Power cannot touch. The approximation and Industry the following letter, which he had of Russia to China on its north and north-western addressed to the Chambers of Commerce at Mines

INDUSTRIES.

HANOL, 22nd September, 1896. Annam produces in abundance the best bananas; is said that in quality those of Singapore are much engaged in the preserving and sale of bananas for ex-

I think it right to bring this fact to your notice as your town possesses a large number of well known fruit preserving establishments with a large connection. I think that at least one of them might work the bananas of Annam. I would do all in my power to assist in its establishment.

In the same communication M. Paul Bert requested the attention of the Minister to the ever, but no transactions are entered into at the undermentioned industries which he thought might well be undertaken at present in Ton-

1.- The manufacture of ice by processes admitting of its sale at a low price.

2.- Hydranlic pressing by a press which could be moved wherever required for the reduction of the bulk of textiles such as rames, cotton, silk, cocoons, and threads. 3.—The cultivation of silk appears to have a

great future before it. Some Lyons merchants, who have been making purchases on a daily inhas been underestimated, that it might be made excellent, and that its inferiority is due solely properly selected. By these means a fine and unigive agreat impetus to the cultivation of the proper rearing, and the result would be to make Tonquin a serious rival to China and Japan on

the European markets. SUPREME COURT. 21st February.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS. BEFORE THE HON. SIE GEORGE PHILLIPPO CHIEF JUSTICE.

DEFERRED SENTENCES. been injured internally. Mr. Wodehouse, the new steamers, several of the existing vessels, His Lordship said the prisoner did not ap- the damage was done by us because he found it Coroner, held an inquest on the body at the such as the Atalanta, Bellona, and Olympia, be- pear to have actually inflicted any injury himself there after us. I am prepared to swear that I Mortuary yesterday afternoon, when a verdict of ing of unsuitable proportions for the require- upon the complainant, but there was no doubt never damaged any of the trees, and never touch- to be between 70 and 80. also held on the body of a female Chinese infant forthwith to have two new steamers built of bed him. His Lordship spoke in terms of com- was hanging in my may. The constable says consequent thereon are attributable to the negligence

Company will reproduce Planquette's comic opera "Les Cloches de Corneville" this evening at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, when Miss is provided with engines indicating 3.400-horse at the Theatre Royal, City Hall when Miss is provided with engines indicating 3,400-horse been convicted of a serious offence, and it through, but it is impossible he can say to the plaintiffs such further or other rollief at the Tilly Saroney takes her benefit. We wish the power, which will give the new vessel a speed of was necessary that a severe punishment should that, as he was away on his beat. The nature of the case may require. power, which will give one new vesses a speed of the inflicted upon him; it would have been constable said at first that I was in plain lowing:—Length, 82.40m.; beam, 12m.; hold, still more severe had he been one of the men who, clothes, and afterward that he could not say whe-"The Desk Hong List" for Shanghai and 7.77m.; draft of water, 5.10m. The vessel is actually wounded the complainant. The fact ther I was or not. As a matter of fact I was the Northern ports of China, published at the built of steel, of which material also another Chi. that there seemed to be no prior conviction entirely in uniform. My overcont had bright North China Herald Office, has come to hand, nese man-of war is being built by the Vulcan spainst him would also be taken into considera- brass buttons all down the front, and there was sular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, Owners North United Herald Office, has come to hand, ness man-or war is being built by the Vulcan We have failed to notice any new feature, except a few particulars regarding the Imperial Family, guns of 21cm., and two more of 15cm., and seven prisoner be kept to penal servitude for five years, but the first the five years, and seven prisoner be kept to penal servitude for five years, but the five years, and seven prisoner be kept to penal servitude for five years, and seven prisoner be kept to penal servitude for five years, but the five was that the five was the five was the five was that the five was that the five was th ment to receive 25 strokes of the rattan upon mistaken identity?

the breech, privately administered. We understand that the terms for the rendi- Chan Achan, convicted of larceny, wounding of Korea) include more than those we gave in grievous bodily harm, and endoquouring to choke nesses?

Mingrelia, whom Russia put forward as a candi- designs on any portion whatever of Korea, as to attacked him if such were not the case. The in the case. Secretary of Mauritius instead of Natal, thus steel screw-steamer named the Hailan, which has wards, and came into the room where the prisoner and when I saw the defendant come through. killed. He had broken the boy's jaw and frac- walk quickly. I was not walking quickly that triple-expansion engines of 1.700 indicated horse appear to have been previously convicted, and not, but I saw them push each other. sentenced to two years' imprisonment, the two cents each to plant. sentences to operate concurrently, so that his total term of imprisonment would be five years. leave the case with me now, where it stands? His Lordship then remarked to the Acting

> it would be as well to allow such a case to stand ! seems special circumstances. The Acting Attorney-General said the reason he brought the case on so soon was that the boy was so seriously injured he feared there might be some scoident if he allowed the case to stand

over for a month. His Lordship said in such a case the prisoner be so, but they would lose the advantage of the \$25. boy's evidence except from his Police Court de-

POLICE COURT.

21st February. BEFORE MR H. E. WODEHOUSE, C.M.G.

CHARGE AGAINST MAJOR ELLIS. Major Ellis, of the Northamptonshire Regi-

be constructed from Chumpon to Kra, and from land, advances on property, erecting houses, &c. P.C. Mahomed Shan, No. 6 7, recalled, stated Bangkok to Petchabooree and Rathbooree. Korat From royalties on fibre machines, for which the that at about three a.m. on the 9th February he is already in connection with Bangkok, via Ka- company have made arrangements with Mr. was on patrol duty at Kowloon. When about bin, and another line is now about to be erected Death for the exclusive rights to use and let on the junction of Robinson read with the Praya running from there in a northerly direction to royalty in the territory his patent fibre extract- he saw the defendant and another man whom Nong Kye, on the Ma Klang .- Bangkok Times. ing machine. The payment to be made for the he did not know break some trees at the end of concession and the rights over Death's machine the banana palm avenue leading from the wharf They were coming from the direction of the wharf, and he saw them pull down the banava trees as they came along. After this they noticed witness approaching towards them, and they walked fastor and turned into a narrow lane. He followed them up the lane and saw them enter a bungalow, after which he went t the Tsim Tsa Tsui Station and reported the matter. The next morning he went with a European constable to the bungalow he had seen the two men enter, and he recognised the defendant as one of the men who broke the trees. He also examined the road to the wharf with the Sir.-I hope the fear of getting into hot European constable, and found that 41 banana water will not deter "Shareholder in Local from the ground and others being broken in the with him from asserting themselves. We all middle. Witness had no difficulty in recognis- remember how the bull was taken boldly by the ing Major Ellis; he was the man who had been horns some years ago in the case of the Hote walking on the right side of the road. Witness Company, and we know what excellent results saw him at a distance of about 20 yards, it being followed, how the Company's property was imbright moonlight at the time. The defendant proved and the hotel made a credit to the colony. was wearing a long overcent. They both walked A similar course of action in respect to some quickly away as soon as they saw him.

banana trees to see what damage had been done, totions are generally realised, although he may and then I went back and followed you up know next to nothing of the history or present Beryl-lane. You were pulling down trees position of the companies he is elected to direct. for about two minutes; I heard the sound The appointments are always made on the At Singapore there are a large number of houses of the trees breaking for about that recommendation of the other directors, and time. Before I saw you I was not walking the element of spontaneous choice on the quickly, but as soon as I saw you I did walk part of the shareholders is entirely absent. quickly, and I went quickly after you turned The directorate of our joint stock companies is a into Beryl-lane in order to overtake you there. kind of close corporation which virtually cleats I saw the trees lying across the road, and I will its own members, and does as a matter of fact swear they were not damaged before this. It look on the shareholders as a lot of sheep.—I am, was bright moonlight. You were wearing a hat sir, yours, etc., ke that which you now have (a round felt hat). You had on a long overcoat which covered you to the feet, so that I cannot tell whether you were wearing uniform or not, and I did not notice for certain whether it was a uniform cop youwere wearing then or not. When I came back from looking at the trees you were about 100 yards shead of me, and when you entered your gate I was about 20 or 30 yards off. I did not see you actually enter your house, and I am not sure whether the man who was not hear you call for your boy.

with you went up the road afterwards. I did The defendant said—I landed at Tsim Tsa Tsui wharf at 2.30 or 3 a.m. from a sampan, and I crossing scale, maintain that the Tonquin silk number of trees were damaged, but I did nothing to them myself further than to push one on one side which was overhanging the road, in to the negligence of the native cultivators, there. When I got to the end of these trees I who take none of the care usually given to saw the figure of a man some distance off, and | William Venn Drumwond, Counsel for the plainarranged, but it is also necessary that the banana pathway to the turning into my Amongst recent shipments to Japan we notice food should be suitable to the diverse phases lane is 60 yards. I never hurried at all, the British oteamer Nepaul, her tackle, apparel, and London, 3rd February.

There is also a bend in the road and if we were as far ahead as the constable allege after he went to see the three constable allege after he went to see the three constable allege after he went to see the three constable allege after he went to see the constable allege after he went allege after he went to see the constable allege after he went allege after he went to see the constable allege after he went to see the const the constable allege after no went to see the damage to the banana trees he could not have seen us. He says it was a bright moonlight night, but it was not so. There was a moon, but the sky was cloudy. He says that when I turned into my lane he was 20 yards distant from me, and he had been yards distant from me, and he had been to the wind a steamer's whistle was heard on the railway extension works had a.m. the Wan Nien-ching was the suid, was proceeding relative to our legal status to the wind and tide. She had two riding lights properly fixed.

2.—On the 20th day of January, 1837, at about 6 a.m. the was about the mouth of the river Yangtare. The tide was about the mouth of the rive approaching me all the time since he first on the water and a steamer's whistle was heard on light, and I think he must have assumed that to be the Nepaul.

to who broke the trees.

His Worship-Do you wish to call any wit-Major Ellis-No, sir. His Worship-Not the person who was with

Major Ellis - No sir. I have a very good rea-

General Hospital, Singapore, for some days, will be made on the peninsula. Considering every opportunity of seeing him on the occasion the defendant land at the wharf. I saw both The Prince is a lieutenant on board the Russian that such an assurance is gained it is worth our in question. The jury were quite satisfied as to the men pulling the trees down. They had no ly shead or a little on the port bow, and supposing cruiser Djigit, but had to go into hospital on his while to perform a friendly act to China by the prisoner's identification after hearing the sticks or anything, but they pulled the trees vessel going to see for a cruise; he will rejoin terminating our compation of Port Hamilton, boy's evidence. The way in which the latter down with their hands. The trees are broken approaching and directing her course to starboard the her on her return, as he is nearly convalescent." even irrespective of its debated strategic value. was treated was positively brutal. The prisoner from about the middle to the end of the lane. I had first seized him round the throat in the cook- was in the lane half an hour before these two distely after such order was given and before it could There has been launched from the yard of house and choked him until he fell down un- and I saw no one there beside them. The dam- be carried out a bright light suddenly came into your F. Fleming has just been appointed Colonial Messra Raylton Dixon and Co. Middlesbro, a conscious, and when he recovered soon after age could not have been done between that time nearly shead and as this see med to indicate a usual recovered soon after age could not have been done between that time nearly shead and as this see med to indicate a usual recovered soon after age could not have been done between that time nearly shead and as this see med to indicate a usual recovered soon after age could not have been done between that time nearly shead and as this see med to indicate a usual recovered soon after age could not have been done between that time nearly shead and as this see med to indicate a usual recovered soon after age could not have been done between that time nearly shead and as this see med to indicate a usual recovered soon after age could not have been done between that time nearly shead and as this see med to indicate a usual recovered soon after age could not have been done between that time nearly shead and as this see med to indicate a usual recovered soon after a usual recovered soon and recovered soon after a usual recovered soon at the usual recovered soon and recovered soon and recovered soon after a usual recovered soon and recovered soon and reco succeeding Mr. Clifford Lloyd. The change will been built to the order of Mr. J. S. Lapraik, for was then breaking open a cupboard, he attacked Cross-examined by Major Ellis-My beat is

LONDON......Mr. W. M. Wills, 151, Cannon St. San France. Mr. L. P. Fisher, 21, Merchants' ported into Japan and about which so much has been somewhat advanced in years, being Inspector Cradock said he saw the trees the 7.—Those on board the Wan Nieu-ching being, as power, having cylinders 25in., 42in., and 67in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being Inspector Cradock said he saw the trees the 7.—Those on board the Wan Nieu-ching being, as power, having cylinders 25in., 42in., and 67in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being Inspector Cradock said he saw the trees the 7.—Those on board the Wan Nieu-ching being, as power, having cylinders 25in., 42in., and 67in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being Inspector Cradock said he saw the trees the 7.—Those on board the Wan Nieu-ching being, as power, having cylinders 25in., 42in., and 67in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being Inspector Cradock said he saw the trees the 7.—Those on board the Wan Nieu-ching being, as power, having cylinders 25in., 42in., and 67in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being Inspector Cradock said he saw the trees the 7.—Those on board the Wan Nieu-ching being, as power, having cylinders 25in., 42in., and 67in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being Inspector Cradock said he saw the trees the 7.—Those on board the Wan Nieu-ching being, as power, having cylinders 25in. The sentence of the court on Inspector Cradock said he saw the trees the 7.—Those on board the Wan Nieu-ching being, as power, having cylinders 25in., 42in., and 67in. Inspector Cradock said he saw the trees the 7.—Those on board the Wan Nieu-ching being, as power, having cylinders 25in. We (Industries) learn from a Tokyo correst power, having cylinders 25 in., 42in., and 67in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being Inspector Cradock said he saw the trees the ported into Japan, and about which so much has Hartlopool. On leaving the ways she was the fourth count was that the prisoner should be forwarded a report to the Superintendent of the steam-whistle. ceive 25 strokes of the rattan, privately admi- trees were planted on public ground by Mr. genes and improper act of those on board the Wan Niennistered, during the first six months of his imthirteen parcels containing samples of tools in prisonment. On the other counts he would be in the summer time. He believed they cost 25 brand the Nepaul and was so far as those on bond the His Worship (to defendant)-Do you wish to

Major Ellis-Yes, sir; only I wish to say this. Attorney General that this case had been brought The constable says that I and my friend pushed the defendants are l'able for them, which they dory, on forward for trial only a day after it had been com- each other. This is quite untrue. He is not a the grounds herein-before stated, constituted a loss or mitted at the Police Court. In future he thought person I should pust, nor would be push me. Inspector Gradock, in answer to his Worship, over to the following sessions, unless there were said he had heard the evidence, and knew the locality well. The constable could see the entrance gate to Baryl from where he said he was,

and probably somewhat inside it. His Worship-Defendant, I have been most auxious to get at the truth of this case, and possible to exonerate you from this charge if could do so consistently with justice. I find, would have been charged with causing the boy's however, that upon the evidence this is impossible, and I can come to no other conclusion The Acting Attorney-General said that would | than that you have done this, and I fine you

BREACH OF GAOL REGULATIONS. having committed a breach of the regulations of only subject to the general provisions of mari-Victoria Gaol. be allowed to give some opium pills to her hus. proof rested upon the defendants. band then a prisoner in the institution. She was told this could not be done. She than asked | ching, Mr. J. Low, chief officer, and the second

to be allowed to give him a cost, and handed one mate and second engineer gave evidence, and in. This was searched, and in it were found the court at its rising adjourned until the folsome opium pills. The defendant, who said she did not know she was doing wrong, was fined S1. OPTUM CABE.

Ng A Ng. coolie, was fined \$10 for possession of prepared opium without a permit from the Opium Farmer, and in default he was sent to gaol for 14 days.

Mens and Carpier, seamen of the French frigate Turenze, were charged with drunkenness, disorderly conduct, and assault upon two Indian constables: the second was also charged with refusing to pay juricksha hire. Fined 31 each, and 'arpior 20 cents more for hire to the jinricksha coolie.

CORRESPONDENCE.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our Correspondents. DIRECTORS AND SHAREHOLDERS

OF PUBLIC COMPANIES. TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS" trees had been broken, some being pulled out Joint Stock Companies" and others who think other companies would be equally beneficial Cross-examined by the defendant-The nar- There is too much disposition to say "The Dirow lane I refer to leads to the bungalow you rectors ought to know best," the fact being that entered on that occasion. I did not know you directors are in most cases selected simply by before this night. When you turned into the routine and without any regard to their knowlane I was near the corner of a large road called ledge or capacity. If one man happens to succeed Robinson-road, about 20 yards distant. When another man in a firm he expects also to succeed you turned into the lane I walked quickly to the to his predecessor's directorships, and his expec-

INVESTOR. Hongkong, 21st February, 1887.

THE COLLISION BETWEEN THE "NEPAUL" AND THE "WAN NIEN-CHING.

The hearing of the suit in Admiralty arising out of the collision between the P. & O. steamer Nepaul and the Chinese transport Wan Nienching commenced at H.B.M.'s Supreme Court at Shanghai on the 17th instant, before Sir R. T. walked along the lane on either side of which Rennie, Chief Justice, and Captain Jackson, of the banana trees are planted. I then saw that a the steamer Paumben, and Captain Ross, of the steamer Beneilder, as Nautical Assessors. Mesars. Drummond and Lathom appeared for the plainmy way. They were all damaged before I got | tiffs, and Mr. Wainewright for the defendants. The pleadings were as follows:-

been appointed to the command of the Firebrand. The appointment is also announced of Deputythe work in France. To produce a good when I turned into the lane to my house I saw it tiffs, in a cause of damage instituted on behalf of His work in France. To produce a good when I turned into the lane to my house I saw it tiffs, in a cause of damage instituted on behalf of His work in France. To produce a good was a Sikh constable, who was then about Excellency Liu Ming chuan, Governor of Formess.

Inspector General Edward T. Mortimer, to silk not only must the rearing house be well on the distance from the lane of the distance from the lane of the distance from the lane of the steam-vessel Wan Nien-ching, and on the lane of the steam-vessel Wan Nien-ching, and on the lane of the care usually given to saw the figure of a man some distance off, and william Venn Drummond, Counsel for the plain-time, in a cause of damage instituted on behalf of His work in France. To produce a good was a Sikh constable, who was then about lane of the steam-vessel Wan Nien-ching, and on the lane of the steam-vessel Wan Nien-ching, and on the lane of the steam-vessel was a sikh constable. 20 yards from me. The distance from the owner of the steam-vessel Wan Nien-ching, and on defined by Sir James Forgusson. behalf of her master, erew, and passengers and the A magnificent tiger, which had made himself value of £1.300. Several Nordenfelt guns are alked about for some time past, was killed the likewise going to Yokohama. To Shanghai a through which the said that for this reason the leaves should be friend and smoking a cigarette for at least five steamer Negotile intervening, says as follows:—

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The Wast Nig friend and smoking a cigarette for at least hive in the war Nien-ching was a screw steamer and craves in the statement of the colominates before I went in. My friend then went was at the time of the collision hereinafter mentioned was at the time of the collision hereinafter mentioned by the statements made by form silk might be obtained in place of a coarse on up the read. There is a very high bank on and almost wild silk. These gentlemen add that eight crops a year could be raised, which would trees everhang the road, so that at night it is seventeen or thereabouts all told, and from 250 to 300.

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walked before I turned my corner. I walked 60 or 20 seconds) after the first whistle the top masts yards, and if he walked about the same distance and masthead light of a large steamer were seen apthat would place him 140 yards from the end of and then her stem became visible through the for and the banana tree pathway at the time I turned she came on at considerable speed and struck the The Afuk, who was convicted on Friday of out of it. At that distance off he could not pos- starboard side of the Wan Nien-ching about amidships 4.—The Wan Nien-ching sank shortly after the said

5.—The number of passengers drowned is believed

The ironeled corvette which was launched at at the time whether he was armed or not. It noise in breaking more than could be heard 20 for the damages and losses proceeded for and to con-

W. V. DRUMMOND Counsel for the Plaintile.

Robert Ernest Wainswright, Counsel for the Penincargo of general morehandise and on a voyage from

proceeding towards the Tungaha lightship at the month of the river Yangters heading north-west inorth and making between sir or seven knots an hour. The wind was fresh from the west-north west, the tide was Vienna and Berlin. The panic is considered to 3.—Under those circumstances those on board the Nepaul heard the sharp blast of a steam-whistlerear-

erossing to starboard the helm of the Nepaul ass or-dered hard-a-starboard. Very shortly afterwards the stem of the Nepaul struck the starboard side of avessel which proved to be the steamer Wan Niesching 4.—Those on board the Wan Nien-ching improperly neglected to keep a proper or sufficient look-out 6. -Those on board the Wan Nien-ching improperty

neglected to exhibit lights or exhibited them in an

8 .- Jave as aforesaid the defendants dony all and sach of the allegations contained in the Petition. 1 1.-And by way of counter-claim the def n take sa that the matters complained of, if any such occurred, and steamship Nepoul them bring a British registord shin caused to snother ship that is to my, the said slamship Wan Nien-ching, and the defendants say that the same occurred without the actual fault or privity of the defeadants, and that the gross tourness of the said stemship Nepaul without any deduction on account of engle room amounts to three thousand five hundred and threy six tons and twelve one hundredths and no more and the de-

ing £3 per ton of the said three thousand fire handred and thirty-six tone and twelve one hundred he. R. E. WAINEWRIGHT, Counsel for Defendants. Mr. Drammond then said that in accordance with the practice prevailing at home he would not make an opening statement. He would only The subjoined telegrams are taken from our Wong Aho, married woman, was charged with make two observations, one that plaintiffs were time law, China having never given herassent On the 19th the defendant asked a turnkey to to the regulations, the other that the buden of Capt. O. Damstrom, master of the Was Nien

fendants plaim that they are not liable in any cont in

respect of the promises to an argregate amount exceed-

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. steamer Oxus, from Marselles 16th January, with the London mail of the lith idem on board, arrived here early yesterday morning: The subjoined telegrams are taken from Ceylon and Indian papers:-- .

lowing day.

THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER'S LONDON, Slat January. Mr. Goschen has been invited, to contest the election for St. George's, Hanover Square, as Lord Algernon Percy is retiring on account of

ill-health. LONDON, 1st February. Mr. Goschen has agreed to contest the election for St. George's, Hanover Squam, Mr. Haysmann, a Radical candidate, will oppose the MR. CHAMBERLAIN AND THE IRISH DEVANDS. States.

LONDON, 30th Jamary. In the course of a speech at Birmingham, Mr. Chamberlain deprecated submission to the Irish the menacing and blustering remarks attered by demands, but said he was not prepared to sup- speakers in the d hate in the United States port coercion, though willing to strengthen the Senate upon the bill empowering the President ordinary law, and, if possible, to improve the se- to take the necessary steps to protect American ourity of landlords without risk to the British fishermen. taxpayer. He finally urged a reunion of Liberals. and Liberal action in co-operation with all parties. THE MINISTRY AND THE UNIONISTS.

LONDON, 1st February. The dabate on the address in reply to the adhers to her legal rights, and he believes Eng-Speech from the Throne continues. Lord Ran- land will support her. dolph Churchill in the course of a speech yesterday stated that the Unionists were at the present moment acting as an useful crutch to the Conservatives, who would very soon be able to walk United States and the Sandwich Islands came alone. He looked to the Conservatives slone to before the Senate to-day, when a clause was uphold the Union.

LONDON, 3rd February. Lord Hartington, speaking at Newcastle | naval coaling station. It is, however, considered yesterday, said it was the duty of the Liberal doubtful whether the King of the Sandwich Unionists to continue making secrifics in up. Telands will consent to the transfer. holding the Union. Lord Randolph Churchill's criticisms, he added in no way altered the relations between Liberal Unionists and Con-

CARRIAGE OF THE AMERICAN MAILS. LONDON, 3rd February. The Government has arranged with the Caused, Imman and White Star Steamship Com- on account of clouds obscuring the horizon. Topanies for the conveyance of the mails to Ame- night, owing to the haze, only a faint streak rice, on condition that the Government can denoting the tail of the comet was visible, but employ the steamers as transports and armed not a sign of the nucleus was to be seen. The cruisers in case of war being declared. New anthorities at the Observatory report that the vessels of these lines are to be built in accordance tall has moved 4 deg. nearer to the north. with designs approved by the Admiralty. THE REALTH OF LORD RANDOLPH CHURCHILL.

LONDON, 4th February.

Lord Randolph Churchill has started for Algiers, owing to ill-health. BIOTING AT BELFAST.

LONDON, Blat January. Much rioting took place at Belfast on Saturday and Sanday. The mob stoned the police. Shots were exchanged and the police stlast had Fifty arrests were made. As far a is yet puties yesterday a debate took place on colonial to charge the populace. known only one or two were killed, but many were wounded.

THE LEASE OF THE BURMAN RUBY MINES. LONDON, 29th January. Mr. Gerst, in the course of his speech on the Address in reply to the Speech from the Throne. stated that no lease or concession will be granted for the Ruby Mines in Burmah until the rights of the local headmen have been examined and THE UNITED STATES AND THE JISHERIES

QUESTION. LONDON, 29th January. Negotiations are proceeding with the United States in connection with the Canadian Fish-THE KHAN OF RALA ABBULLA.

LONDON, 3rd February. In the House of Commons this evening. Sir brides question.

Secret and Political Department at the India from the present status quo.

ARMY BILL.

BERLIN, 2nd February. The Emperor William, in receiving the Presidents of the Landtag to-day, recalled that a place on March 22nd. former dispute in reference to an increase in the German Army only ended by Germany being drawn into a foreign war. CALLING UP THE GREMAN, RESERVES FOR PRACTICE.

It has been resolved to call up 72000 men of

It is expected that there will be a smedy sum.

LONDON, 30th January.

moning of the Delogations to provide for THE POWERS AND THE SITUATION. LONDON, 1st February.

Count Kalnoky in Council yesterday stated that more friendly relations existed between Austria and Russia, but that the tension in the relations of France and Germany was growing LONDON, 2nd February. In the Hungarian Diet M. Tisza has stated

that he still hoped for the maintenance of peace, and looked upon the warlike preparations of cortoin countries as merely precautionary. LONDON, 3rd February M. Herbette, the French Ambassador, has had Major Ellis— I say he has made a mistake as time of the occurrences hereinafter mentioned was an interview with Prince Bismarck, in the course manned by a crew of 149 hands all told, laden with a linterview with Prince Bismarck, in the Comments who broke the trace

of which he endeavoured to reassure the German Chancellor as to the position and intentions of 2.—Shortly before 6.25 a.m. on the 20th of Jamary, General Boulanger.
1887, the Nepaul in charge of a duly licensed piletyras THE PANIC ON THE BOURSES. LONDON, 2nd February. A panie pravails upon the Bourses of Paris.

> tical situation. LONDON, 3rd February The Bourses of Paris, Berlin and Vienna have

somewhat recovered from the panic. BERLIN, 3rd February It is currently reported on the Bourse here, that a German Military Loan of three hundred million marks is impending.

LONDON, 4th February. There was again a pario on the Berlin, Vienna and Paris Bourses yesterday. Consols in London fell three-quarters per cent; and Rentes, in Paris, fell one and three quarters per cent. THE BULGARIAN QUESTION. LONDON, 30th January.

Negotiations are proceeding at Stamboul between the Porte and M. Zankoff. The Envoys of Russia are agreeable to accept the candidacv of Prince George of Lenchtenberg instead of Prince Nicholas of Mingrelia, but Russia and Austria are less solicitous about the Bulgarian question, being fully occupied in watching the movements of France and Germany. BE-OPENING OF THE TRADE OF THE NILE

TALLEY. LONDON, 2nd February Sir James Ferguson has made a statement to the effect that Government has consented to the proposal of the Egyptian Government to allow the re-opening of the trade of the Nile Valley.

THE ITALIAN REVERSES AT MASSOWAH. LONDON, 2nd February. The tribes of Resalula have attacked and routed three Companies of Italians, the loss was heavy upon both sides. Signor Depretis, the President of the Council. has been asked for five millions live for the purpose of the immediate despatch of reinforcements.

PARIS. 3rd February. The Republique Française states that the Italians lost 430 men, and all their guns in the late attack made on their position at Massowah by Ras Alula, who forced their first line of trenches.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E.& A. steamer Catter than, with the Australian mail, arrived here yesterday morning. Australian files:-

THE PRINCE OF WALES AND IRELAND. LONDON, 25th January. The Prince of Wales will ronew his acquaintance with Ireland in April next, when he intends to spend a week in that country. BANK OF ENGLAND RETURNS. LONDON, 27th January.

The Bank of England weakly returns show the

proportion of reserva to liabilities to be 47 per cent, being 5 per cent more than last week. The total amount of reserves of notes and bullion is £12,900,000. ENGLANG AND BELGIUM. LONDON, 24th January England's treaty of abligation with Belgium

is occasioning some anxiety. TRENCH PROTECTION. LONDON, 23rd January. The Right and Centre in the French Chamber of Deputies applauded M. Freppel's proposal that the Government should tax-foreign imports

into all French colonies. GERMANY AND THE TRANSVAAL. LONDON, 21st January. A large section of the Boers settled in the Transvasi have accepted German protection. THE FISHERIES DISPUTE. LONDON, 22nd January.

The Marquis of Lorne, late Governor-General E Canada, will be requested to negotiate in the fisheries dispute between Canada and the United WASHINGTON, 26th January. . No excitement has been caused in Canada by

The Canadian press ridicules the United States Senate for its action in passing the bill. LONDON, 27th January. Sir John Macdonald declares that Canada will

THE UNITED STATES AND HAWAII. WASHINGTON, 22nd January: The consideration of the treaty between the added, granting the United States an entrance to the Pearl River, in the island of Oahu, as a

THE EERMADEC ISLANDS. LONDON, 23rd January. The annountion of the Kermadeo Islands to New Zealand has been gazetted,

THE NEW COMET. MELBOURNE, 23rd January. No view was obtained of the comet last night

LONDON, 25th January. The comet discovered at Rio de Janeiro on the 18th is said to resemble the splendid comet of

THE PRENCH IN THE PACIFIC. Paris, 23rd January. The Ministry have withdrawn the amendments introduced by them into the Budget, and have accepted the proposals set forth by the Budget Committee, the threatened Ministerial crisis being thereby averted. In the Chamber of Deaffairs. M. Freppel stated that the former mission of the country which was to unite New Caledonia and the New Hebrides has been partially attained, but the occupation the latter must become permanent, as the claims put forward by England and Australia to the New Hebrides were, he said. baseless; but he advised the Government to appears the fears entertained by Australia of the establishment of a convict station in these islands by an absolute promise not to deport oriminals thither. M. Freppel counselled the Government to establish a protectorate over the Solomon Islands and the whole of the Society Group.

LONDON, 24th Jarmary. Sir J. F. Garrick is taking steps for confernies on the subject of the statements made by M. Freppel in the French Chamber of Deputies on Saturday, in connection with the New He-THE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE. LONDON, 18th January. It is explained by the Imperial Government that the object of the Conference to be held in

London in March or April next is only to ascertain the views of the delegates upon political matters relating to the colonies, and that it is Mr. Adolphus Moore, U.P., Secretary of the not intended to propose any new departures LONDON, 22nd January. Sir Henry Helland, Secretary of State for the Colonies, has proposed that the Imperial Con-

ference should meet on March 17. LONDON, 25th January. It is authoritatively announced that the opening of the Imperial Conference has been fixed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to take

LONDON, 28th January. It is announced that the opening of the Colonial Conference has been postponed for a fortnight beyond the date originally fixed, so as to admit of the presence of representatives from New South Wales and Victoria. The Pacific Islands Question will be fully disussed by the

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL SERVICE. LONDON, 22nd January. The P. and O. Company have offered to carry

provoments and the acoui-

To value of Pilot Fish as per

Less amount written off last

lo value of Fame as per last

Less amount written off last

To value of 10 steam launches

as per last statement

To value of lighter and boats.

To cost of materials on hand...

To value of steam lighter built

six months

statement...

To sundry debtors

ition of now machinery at

during last six months 8,339.00

By Admiralty loan account, 3 instal-

forward from last account ...\$ 6,701.43

To cost of labour, material, and working

expenses at the Co.'s three establish-

To interest

To legal expenses

To office expenses, stationery, telegrams,

Hongkong, 19th February, 1887.

To fire insurance.....

To Crown rent

and petty cash at head office

ments £11,760.....

LIABILITIES.

REVENUE ACCOUNT.

SHANGHAI AND HONGKEW WHAR

The following report was submitted:-

The directors in submitting to the shareholders the

only a slight increase to report in the Company's earn-

ings, consequent upon the continued depression of trade, competition in rates, and low storage taxiff.

After the payment of an ad interim dividend of lis. 5 per share on the 28th July lest, the profit and loss

account shows a credit balance of Tls. 10,902.51, from which sum the directors propose to pay a final divid-

end of Tls. 8.75 per share, and to carry the balance

The directors have to regret the death of Mr. Chas.

Bivington, one of the auditors of the Company. Mr.

The staging and buildings on the Company's pro-

The directors and auditors (with the exception of

The accounts of the various wherves were ap-

pended. The working account of the Old Ning-

po Wharf showed a profit of Tls. 8,596, while it

the profit and loss account there was a payment

of Tls. 27,329 for interest-taxes, insurance, etc.,

bringing up the total on the debit side of this

account to Tis. 28,961, as against the Tis. 8,596

profit on the working account and Tls. 3,506 re-

ceived as rents of foreign and native houses,

the balance of TIs. 16,867 being credited half to

the Shanghai and Hongkaw Wharf Company

and half to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co

The working account of the Shanghai and

Hongkew and Jardine's Associated Wharves

terms of the agreement of Tls. 26,372 to the

Shanghai and Hougkew Wharf Co. and Tls.

The profit and less account of the Shanghai

and Hongkew Wharf Co. showed a balance of

Tls. 10.902, after payment of interim dividend

of Tis. 5 per share, the loss of Tis. 8,433 on the

Old Ningpo Wharf, and other expenses. The

BALANCE SHEET, SITT DECEMBER, 1827.

LIABILITIES.

The Charman, in his opening speech before

moving the adoption of the report and accounts,

reminded the shareholders that the present agree-

next, and said it would be for them to instruct

their directors as to its continuance or the re-

result had on the whole, he thought, been very

good for the shareholders, for looking back he

found there had been an average dividend of 114

per cent paid to the shareholders during the

whole time of the agreement. In reply to Mr.

Mr. Jaques said it seemed to him to be a ver

serious matter to involve the shareholders in

nearly double that of the whole concern.

expense it was not to be wondered at that they

the power with which they were vested, bought

of what threatened to be anextremely daugerous

opposition. He ventured to differ from the some-

amount involved was so that they should be able

1:,594 before the shareholders got anything.

tion—the agreement must be adhered to.

were now in a position to pay only 32 per cent.

3,720.58

523.25

Jardine, Matheson & Co.....

Unexpired Premis of Insurance

Hongkong & Shangbai Bank....

Profit and loss

Depreciation account .

confirmed by them.

balance sheet was as follows:--

32.172 to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.

showed a balance available for division in

The property was valued at Tls. 846.146.

Mr. Maclean), offer themselves for re-election.

Andrew Burman was appointed to fill the vacancy.

forward to next year's account.

perty are in a satisfactory condition....

COMPANY.

DAVID GILLIES, Secretary.

six months 11,000,00

Tugs and Launches.

25,141.84

\$38,530.34

out a seven years' contract for the conveyance | army." He looked at us all individually, very of apple to nevertia for an amount satisfie of stornly, looning on his thin ration, which he al-£100,000, or a ton years' contract for £35.00). | wave carried and used in action, instead of his The Orient Company have agreed to account the sword. He was beginning to address some more reduced bonus

LONDON, 21st January. Decided progress is being made with negotiations for new contracts for the conveyance of mails between England and the Australian hang! but don't give us so much of that G-d colonies.

LONDON, 24th January. A conference will be held immediately between Mr. Cecil Raikes, the Postmaster General, and the Agents-General of the Australian colonies in reference to the ocean mail service to Australia. | quite satisfied, presently, sir," turned on his heel THE IMPERIAL INSTITUTE

LONDON, 18th January. Sir Samuel has been appointed a member of the building and organising committees in connection with the Imperial Institute. The contributions from the Australian colonies towards the Institute are considered small. The Prince of Wales will probably invite the Government of the r-spective colonies and the Mayors of the capitals in Australia and New Zealand to organise public subscription lists in aid of the funds of the

LONDON, 21st January. - Sir Francis Dillon Bell has accepted the invitation of the Prince of Wales to join the committee of the Imperial Institute.

LONDON, 23rd January. In connection with the proposed Imperial Institute sub-committees have been appointed to regulate the finances and nominate the governing body of the Institute. THE PROPOSED NEW PACIFIC CABLE.

LONDON, 19th January The Alert, a discarded composite gunboat. formerly belonging to the British navy, but now owned by the Canadian Government, has been engaged by the Admiralty to make a survey of | and 6 packages aundries. the Pacific from Vancouver Island to the Sandwich Islands, with presumably, a view to selecting the route for the proposed Pacific cable. LONDON, 26th January,

A meeting is to be held on February 1st to nominate directors for the Pacific Cable Co. which has been formed mainly to lay a wire between America and Australia. AUCKLAND, 26th January. As a meeting in Dunedin, last night, th Premier declared that New Zealand must cease

THE ADELAIDE EXHIBITION.

LONDON, 22nd January, Eight hundred and ninety-eight British exhibitors at the Adelaide Exhibition have been allowed 94,000 enbic feet of space inside the building; and nine exhibitors have been allotted 8.000 feet outside.

LONDON, 25th January. Sir Herbert Sandford, British Commissioner to the Adelaide Jubilee Exhibition, is urging exhibiters from England to decorate the British | ON NEW YORK .-A TRANS-CONTINENTAL RAILWAY FOR

AUSTRALIA. ADELAIDE, 26th January. A commission has been appointed to inquire into the subject of a trans-continental railway.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS. LONDON, 18th January. The death is announced of Admiral Pullen, an old naval officer, who was made vice-admiral in l London, 21st January.

Mr. W. H. Smith will, in February, relinquish the leadership of the Conservative party in the House of Commons. In raply to the allegations of the Nord Dautsche Zeitung, the French declare that the timber | China Traders' Insurance Company's Shareswhich they are purchasing in Alsace is required for the Exhibition to be held in Paris next year. | North China Insurance Tis. 285 per share.

LONDON, 22nd January.

The co'ton, woollen, iron and steel trades are showing signs of improvement. A remarkable Chinese Insurance Company, Limited-\$180 per industrial revival has taken place in America. have suggested that representative teams throughtout the Empire should compete for the Canton Insurance Office, Limited \$75 per Queen's prize at Wimbledon in the Jubilee year. LONDON, 23rd January. A British union has been started in Man-

rial Zolverein. tion of Count von Moltke to the Reichstag. LONDON, 24th January. The sorip of the Victorian 4 per cent, lean of [

The death is announced of Serjeant Sleigh a well-known member of the English Bar. London, 25th January. The Liberals will probably be victorious in the general elections in Canada.

Sir Henry Loch, Governor of Victoria, has to use his influence in urging the European per share.

nations to send exhibits to the Melbourne Con- Hongkong Gas Company's Shares--3125 per tennial Exhibition. LONDON, 26th January.

The Marquis of Balisbury has promised to tion will be held in Melbourne next year. ordered to be at their posts early in February. subject of increase in the German army, Prince Bismarck declared that if the Reichstag remained obdurate against granting the demands of the

measures to otherwise enferce his will. Mr. Henniker Heaton, M.P., has written to Mr. Raikes, Postmaster-General, displosing his scheme for a penny postage between the United | Perak Sugar Cultivation Company-Tls. 18 per Kiugdom and Australia

LONDON, 28th January.
Sir Charles Tupper, the High Commissioner in London for the Dominion of Canada, has resigned that office, having accepted the position of Minister of Finance in the Canadian Govern- A S. Watson & Co., Limited-32 per cent

HOW GENERAL GORDON SIVED MY LIFE.

A Free Lance writes in the Pall Mall Gazette: Everyone has read Onida's "Under Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B-6 per cent. Two Flags." I have served under five flags in my time—three of them Imperial standards and Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C-8 per cent. two of them those of rabels. I have known as commander or as fee some of those men whom Chinese Imperial Loan, 1886 E-51 per cent. to this day heroes wership, as well as others less celebrated, but who still have carved their names | Chinese Imperial Government 1885 Dollar Loan with their swords on the page of history. Among these are Gordon, Garibaldt, Stuart, the Confederate raider; Belle Boyd, the invincible scout; the Counters de la Torre, the levely Garibaldian leader; Burgevine, the fillbuster; Turr, the Hun arian, and a host of others. Gordon, for instance, saved my life. It happened in this way. I was only a youngster, when, getting tired of the endless routine of barrack life in the -th Dragoon Guards, I went out to China to fight the Taepings, who were then in full revolt. Gen- Manda. 22.67 eral Ward, who commanded the "Disciplined Chiness Field Force," had just "joined the majority," and Burgevine had succeeded him in the command. General Burgavine, a little dark man, who had come out to China as a ship's stoward. but who had been one of Walker's filibusters at-Nicuragua, was an able soldier and as brave as a lion. He was swarthy almost to blackness, and wore little gold rings in his ears. I joined his brigade. His men were well armed with Ameri- STATION. 33 can rifles and bayonets, carefully drilled, and had about thirty of us-English and American Mantes 80.97 | 79 | 63 | waw | 3 | 5 | floers—to lead them. We defeated the Taepings in a continuous series of battles, until our men began grumbling for their arrears of pay, which Fouchow were then something like six months overdue General Burgevine applied to the Foo-tai (or military mandarin governor of the province) for wostock. the money. He selemnly declared he had none. Burgevine happened to know that a few days previously the Foo-tai had received a thousand bars of sycee silver, which were then in his palace. He ordered us to storm the palace and help ourselves... We did so, with the natural result that the next morning placards were posted all over the place, offering 150,000 tacks of silver for Burgevine's head dead or alive. We stuck to our commander; and the whole body, 3,000 strong, went over to the Taepings. We were placed in the army commanded by "The Shield King;" and we defeated the Imperial troops as easily as we had the patriots. All went well until one fine day we heard that the Imperial Government had borrowed from the English 200 officers and non-cous. who had formed another "Disciplined Force;" and, under the command of one Major Gordon, R.E., were then within three days' march to attack us. They duly arrived, and when we saw the pith helmets of the English officers we refused to draw swords from their sheaths. In the short en agement which followed our men bolted and we thirty white wen were Gordon's prisoners. The next morning he paraded us, and, standing

in front of the line, said, "Of course, you know!

that I shall hang you all; not morely as rebels

in arms, but as deserters from the Imperial

observations to us, when Burgevine, turning his quid of honeydew over in his mouth, spat ingorously close to Gordon's well-polished boot, and said, " D-n it, Gordon, if you're going to hang, seeing that it was still spotless, gazed at Burgevine half a moment with an expression as though he would like to have laid his rattan about his shoulders. Then, saying calmly, "You shall be and marchedoff. Burgavine and one or two of the other Americans, who were perfectly untameable, had been previously tied hand and foot, or it would have gone hard with Gordon at that moment. While we were watching the nimble Chinamen rigging the ropes on trees for our accommodation and stopping every minute to slug out "Fangui!" (red devils) an aide came from Gordon to say that our lives would be spared, but that he should deport us from the country. Burgevine simply expectorated again, and said, Wal! tell him from me he's a good old son! and we marched cheerfully into the calaboose provided for us. Gordon afterwards sent Burgevine and the Americans to New York in a Yankee ship and the English to England. That

is the way in which "Gordon saved my life," COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE. MONDAY, 21st February.

EXPORT CARGO. -Per steamship Lacrice, sailed on the 19th February :- For London-228,480 lbs. scented caper, 4,860 lbs. scented crange pekce, 45 packages canes, 6 packages gongs, 5 packages curios,

Quotations are: This year a New Malwa ... \$525 per picul, allca, of sin has escaped so far. 51 to 61 catties. to 61 catties for the Colonies.

Benares (New) 8490 per chest. On London .--Bank Bills on demand . Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight3/24 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight3/34 Credits, at 4 months' sight3,34

Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight3/3 ON PARIS.-Credits, at 4 months' sight4.19 On Bombay.-ON CALGUTTA.

ON BHANGHAL -

366 per share.

Quotations are: Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares-157 per cent. promium, sellers. Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited-\$85 per share, buyers.

Bank on demand220

Bank, at sight712

Private, 30 days' sight721

Yangteze Insurance Association—Tls. 110 per The Council of the National Rule Association | On Tai Insurance Company, Limited -- Tls. 148 per share...

share, ex div. Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares-\$432 per abare, sellers. chester for the purpose of promoting an Impe- China Fire Insurance Company's Shares-\$89 per share. The German Liberals are opposing the elec- Straits Marino Insurance Company, Limited-

Straits Fire Insurance Company, Limited— \$3,000,000 lately floated is now quoted at # | Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company's Shares—119 per cent prem., sellers. Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares-\$79 per cent prem., sellers. indo China Steam Navigation Co.'s Shares-

5 per cent discount, sellers.

China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited -30 per cent, discount, nominal requested Lord Halsbury, the Lord Chancellor, Douglas Steamship Company, Limited-\$46

Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—\$190 per notify to the European Powers that an Exhibi- China Sugar Refining Company, Limited-\$140 Commanders of French fortresses have been Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited-358 per share. In addressing the German Landtag upon the Hongkong Ice Company's Shares-\$443 per

Hongkong and China Hakery Company, Limited --- \$120 per share. Government, the Emperor William would take | Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company -525 per share. Punjom and Sunghie Dus Samantan Mining Company, Limited -- \$141 per share.

> Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited-345 per share. Hongkong and Macae Glass Manufacturing Co. Limited-80 per cent. discount.

> Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited-9 per cent prem., buyers. Singapore Insurance Company, Limited-\$22 per share. Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 A-2 per cent

premium. premium, sales.

-3 per cent. premium. CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER. 20th February, 1687, at 4 P.M.

Haiphong ... \$0.03 Houghong ... \$0.14 Amoy ... \$0.21 Foodhow ... \$0.21 30.13 MIN. 4 .03 ligt February, 1587, at lo a.m. Wind, ilunghai

The Barometer is steady over Luson but is falling along the coast and gradients for N.E. winds are decreasing. The temperature and the humidity are modernto and cloudy wentling prevails. weather prevaile. W. DOBERCK. Hongkong Observatory, 21st February, 1887. METLOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

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2. TENERATORS in the shade in degrees Fabreuhelt.

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W. DOBERCK. Hongkong Observatory, 21st February, 1887.

7 .- Rain in inches, touthe and hundredthe.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE. (PROM MARRIE, PARCORDS & Co.'s REQUERTED.) February 2|et. Parometer -1 F. K. 80,116 Thermometer-4 P.W.

NEWS FOR THE FRENCH MAIL.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

from Algeria is now denied. It is reported that the Vatioan is sending to Peking a convention assuring the complete iberty and security of Catholics in China. It is rumoured that a secret treaty has been Capt. Collisson, (Rugby).
oncluded between China and Germany.

A. B. H. Drew, (Wellington). oncluded between China and Germany.

LONDON, 15th February. The Under Secretary of State for Foreign G. F. H. Potts, (Harrow). Affairs, in reply to a question in the House of N. G. Mitchell-Inner, (Repton).
Commons, said that Sir H. Drummond Wolff had been engaged in delicate negociations, but that the withdrawal of the mission was not H. F. Hayllar.

LONDON, 16th February. Lord Balfour has been appointed Under; Secretary of State for the Colonies.

LONDON, 17th February. A bailiff and two constables have been shot | C. P. Pedler at and killed in a town in Clare, and the assas. J. H. S. Lookhart. The Earl of Onslow, and not Lord Balfone, Last year's New Malwa... \$540 per picul, alice. of has been appointed Under Secretary of State

The House of Commons has voted the Ad-

London, 18th February.

dress in reply to the Speech from the Throne after a long debate. The German Ambassador to Turkey has informed the Bulgarian Delegates that in case THE MATCH FOR THE LAWN TENNIS of failure in their negociations a Russian occupation of Bulgaria with the consent of Austria and Germany is imminent.

Major Sir George Cumine Strahan, R.A., is

CRICKET.

HONGKONG v. SHANGHAT PAST AND PRESENT.

bertson and Dawson got together, both batsmen | to 8. tiesting the bowlers slike, though Dawson, who There were some capital rallies in desired effect, Dawson being clean bowled great freedom, covers the ground well, otal of 173. Travers is credited with 4 wickets | players. for 27 runs, Wilson 2 for 64, and Smith 1 for 45. Hongkong commenced withodds rather against them. G. S. Coxon and Travers appeared to face the two left-handers. After compiling 12 the latter's stumps were shot down by the nautic. Scanlan followed, and put together 17, when he ran himself out. 2 for 68. Lloyd and Wilson failed to trouble the scorer to any considerable extent. 4 for 73. Sawyer now came to the resoue; but unfortunately soon

lost Coxon, who had been playing capitally throughout His 33 was put together by good erleket. Darby came next, but long residence in the East appears to have told upon him, for he succumbed after contributing 3. 6 for 83. At this stage it looked any odds on Shanghu. Backers, however, of the Model Settlement were disappointed, for Fess. Sercombe Smith, and Sawyer came to the fore and pulled the match out of the fireby contributing respectively 25, 36, and 47, Sawyer's inni gs as also that of Smith being specially marked. At 172 (one run behind Shanghai's total) Stokes went in and had the honour of making the winning hit—athree to leg. The innings eventually closed for 225. Stokes carrying his bat for 21.

Coxon is credited with 5 wickets for 106 rans. Dawson 2 for 62, and Murray 2 for 29. The fielding on both sides, with a few exceptions, was anything but up to the mark. Amongst the spectators on the ground we noticed H. E. the Administrator and Mrs.

The following is the full score :-

BRANGHAI PAST AND PRESENT.

W. C. Murray, b Wilson

E. J. Coxon, a Dixon, b Smith

E. A. Probat, b Wilson Roynell, run out...... H. Dawson, b Travers

A. Veitch, c and b Travers

J. J. Bell-Irving, c Lloyd, b Travers

H. W. Dick, c and b Travers

OH. W. Dick, c and b Travers BOWLING ANALYSIS.

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E. J. Coxon... 150 Dawson...... 75 Murray 80 Murray Baker Dick

FOOTBALL.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS V. THE HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

A match under Rugby Rules between sides

representing the above was played on the Race course, Hongkong, on Tuesday afternoon, the 15th instant. The weather was all that could Arnold and F. T. P. Foster, Mr. H. W. Davis having be desired, the number of players on the ground resigned. The director, recommend Mesers. Arnold was the largest on record for Hongkong, and Foster for re-election. and there was the biggest attendance of the public that has yet been seen on the ground to witness any match, a number of ladies being among those present. A good game ensued the Public Schools having the advantage of more weight. There were no less than sixteen To value of Aberdeen Docks players on either side, and the game was exceedingly interesting. On the Club side were several men who were novices to the Rugby game, and the consequence was that there was some very wild passing which told against that side behind the To value of Kowloon Docks scrimmages. There were agood many tight scrimmages, the Club there holding their opponents well, contrary to expectations, while the backs of the Public Schools exceeded anticipations. The Club won the toss, and soon carried the ball into | To amount expended on extenthe enemy's quarters, but it came back in a series of combined rushes from the forwards. There was an obstinate struggle after this quite close to the Clab goal for some minutes, and in the To amount expended in the end Jackson managed to get the ball and touch down in self defence. Soon after the kick off the ball came back to the Club quarters, and owing to a misunderstanding through a wrongly coloured jersey. Brown was allowed to run in for the Schools and get a touch down. The try, for goal, however, failed. Beyond a touch down in self defence by the Club, nothing more was done until half time. Ende were then changed, and the play passed from one end to the

other, until Crawford, who was playing half back

for the Schools, picked up the ball from some To smount expended in impoor passing, and got in with it. Again the kick for goal proved a failure. After the kick off the ball was taken well into the Schools' quarters. but soon came back, and when near the Club goal line Babington smartly got another wild pass from the Club side, and evading the Club back, got in eafely between the posts. There ought to have been a goal kicked this time, as the touch down was in excellent position, but the attempt just failed. No further scoring, beyond a touchdown by the Club in self defence, took place from then until time was called though Jackson once nearly got in for the Club When time was called, the ball was near the centro of the ground and the Club men were get. ting into better form. The game thus ended in a victory for the Public Schools by three tries to

nil. The teams were composed as follow:--Ровьто Вснооте. R. K. Brown, (Glouelmond) back. London, 14th February.

W. Sabington, (Cheltenham)
H. N. Thompson. (Trinity Col., Dublin)

M. D. Graham, (Haileybury).

Om Algeria is now denied. C. S. Prichard (Marborough) N. R. S. Crawford, (Clifton) R. W. Breeks, Capt. (Wellington College).
C. E Lawrie, (Eton).
G. A. Bramwell, (Marlborough). H. C. Metcalfe, (Cambridge). D. H. Mackintosh, (Glenalmond). THE CLUB. Back.

+ Backs A. H. Jackson. D. Saunders C. A. Cornish. Backs. F. Jarvie. Forwards. H. G. Smit's. P. R. Simmons. F. H. Shepherd. . D. Anderson. J. C. Elmonds. H. C. Pool. Lt. Gloig, R.N. J. P. Brewin.

that were supplied us by the hon, sec. prior to the match, but there were some alterations, all By towage, nett earnings..... of which we were unable to get. Messra. Murphy By transfer fees and Bellairs, R.N., played in place of two of the By bonus and sundries Club team, but who were the absentees we were unable to learn.

The above, with one exception, are the names

OHAMPIONSHIP.

The final tie in the Match for the Lawn Tennis Championship was played off on Wednesday afternoon, the 16th instant, by E. J. Coxon and W. Bruce Robertson on the Cricket Ground, Hongkong, in presence holders of this. Company was held on the 15th of a large concourse of spectators. The February, in the Shanghai Club, Mr. J. J. Kes- ing to be called for the purpose." champions were well matched, but Coxon was wick in the chair. The following were present:-A most enjoyable and well contested match, the most fancied, though Robertson also had Messrs. F. H. Bell, A. Macleod, A. C. Westall, between the above teams was played on the many backers. The latter had the advantage (Directors), R. M. Campbell, W. J. Clarke, H. Hongkong Cricket Ground on Saturday, the in the first set, as he occupied the western court, R. Kinnear, P. McG. Grant, E. Halton, F. J. 19th inst., resulting in a victory for Hongkong and Coxon had therefore to face the sun. Robert. Marshall, R. Francis, J. Jaques, J. Buchanan, son won the first set by 6 to 4, but lost H. R. Hearn, John G. Purdon, J. R. Wheelock, Shangbal won the toss and sent in Baker this advantage on changing sides, Coxon winning H. J. Such, J. F. Rodewald, A. Schroers, G. J. and Murray. The latter fell a victim al- the second set by 6 to 2. The third set was Morrison, D. Glass, E. Davis, and E. P. Lalcaca. most at once to Wilson. E. J. Coxon was the rather better contested, the games being next to appear, and, as was expected, a stand was very close; but it was again secured by made, the total reaching 39 before Baker was Coron-6 to 3. In the fourth set Robertson annual statement of accounts for the year 1886, have run out for a well played 17. Probst followed, succeeded in getting 5 games to 3, but Coxon but sfter scoring 7 was clean bowled by then pulled himself together, and by brilliant Wilson 3 for 53. Coxon's was the next play made it 5 all. The vantage game was won wicket to fall, he being caught by Dickson by Robertson, but he failed to follow it up with in the slips. His 31 was put together by the conqueror and deuce and vantage were called hard and clean hitting without giving a time and again, until at length Coxon managed chance. The best stand was made when Ro. to win two games running, and won-10 games

has recently arrived from the North, played with course of the game, and much fine play a certain amount of luck. After the century on both sides; but Coxon's return is more was reached, Darby and Travers relieved Wilson severe, his recovery more rapid, and his and Sercombe Smith, and the change had the placing better, though Robertson plays with by Travers for 33 and Robertson following uses both hands with almost equal facility. The soon afterwards yorked by Darby for a capital spectators were treated to as pretty an exhibiinnings of 43. Veitch contributed a most use- tion of good tennis as has been witnessed on the ful 23, and the inuings closed for a formidable Cricket Ground, and heartily applauded the The following is the complete score:--

FIRST TIES. GAMES. J. M. Martin, E. N. 6-6
A. de C. Scanlan 6-6
G. C. C. Master 0-3
G. A. Porter 6-6
W. H. Wal 139 2-1
E. J. Coxo: 6-6
V. A. C. Hawkins 2-2
G. S. Coxon 8-4-6 G. S. Coxon 8 6 6 A. R. C. Warren, R.N. 7 6 4 SECOND TIES. A. do C. So nlan 6-5-6 G. Stewart 4-7-4
E. J. Cozon 6-8
G. A. Forter 3-3 THIRD TIES. Robertson drew a bye. FINAL TIE.

E. J. Coxon 4-6-0-10 W. Brnos-Robertson, 5-2-3-8 HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following is the report of the board of directors to the ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders, to be held at the office of the Company, No. 14, Prays, Hongkong, on Saturday next, at 11 o'clock a.m.:-

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIEITED. GENTLEMEN,-The directors have now to submitto you their report, with a statement of accounts for the half-year ending 31st December last. The total receipts for the six months are \$354,285.90 and the net profit, after paying interest due and all to which has to be added the balance brought forward from last account

and from which have to be deducted-Auditors' fees......

loaving available for appropriation \$162,708.85 The directors recommend that a dividend for the whole time of the agreement. In reply to Mr. balf-year of 7 per cent. or \$109,375.00 be paid to the Jaques the Chairman stated that the purchase shareholders, and a bonus of \$15,000 to contributing of the Ningro Wharf was made without the shareholders; that \$34,073.73 be written off the cost sanction of the shareholders, but was afterwards of the New Dock, and the balance of \$4,260.12 be carried forward to new account The business of the company during the period

under review has been satisfactory, and the aggregate gross tonnage of vessels built by the company exceeds large an undertaking without their permission. considerably that of any former half-year. Many im- | The amount given for the Ningpo :wharf was provements have been made at Kowloon and some new machines added to the plant with a view to economise time and labour as far as possible. The most difficult parts in the construction of the to nearly double the capital. They were now New Dook are now completed, and the directors hope saddled with the Ningpo wharf and had to pay that the works will be sufficiently advanced to admit seven or eight thousand taels per year for the of its being opened within the course of next year. pleasure of having it. If it were not for that they It is expected that the total cost including interest amount to about \$750,000, and the directors consider it prudent to make some provision for the ex-

DIRECTORS. Mr. Wm. Keswick having left the colony, the directors invited Mr. J. Bell-Irving to the recent sent on the board, which appointment has to be confirmed at In accordance with clause 60 of the articles of association, Mosers. C. D. Bottomley and A. McIver retire by rotation, but being eligible, offer themselves what disparaging remarks of Mr. Jaques befor re-election. AUDITORS. The accounts have been audited by Messre. Thos.

M. GROTE, Chairman, JULY TO DICEMBER, 1896. CAPITAL ACCOUNT. as per last statement \$193,269.76

mix months..... \$150,000.00 as per last statement....... . 3052,021,13 Less amount written of last 110,000.00 six months..... \$342,021.18 sion of ground, on new work shops and new machinery

Less amount written of last

during last 6 months 51,324,21 construction of the Admiralty Dock to date \$522,081.28 Less 3 instalments of free grant received from the Admiralty of £15,0.0 88,007.55 Cosmopolitan.

value of Cosmopolitan Docks as per last statement \$396,446.17 Less amount written off last air months \$840,446.17

598,845,84

rent year.

very carefully gone into by Mesers. Westall. was share and share alive. He had therefore to Wa Hospital, 1,095. propose that an arrangement be made to carry on the Wharf with Messrs. Jardine, Watheson, & Co. from July 1st, 1837, on the basis of equal division of the carnings.

Mr. McLEOD seconded. Mr. Davis urged that, having regard to what had passed with reference to the Ningpo Wharf. the agreement should be submitted to the share-614,056,01 holders before it was agreed to, or a special \$3,496,121.69 meeting be called to consider the resolution. cond Mr. Davis's suggestion. By shareholders for paid up Capital\$1,562,500.0

tors of a great deal of responsibility if there was of the tea compradore of the firm conspired with a meeting of the shareholders to confirm the another Chinese dealing in opium, and it was agreement. But the directors had been engaged | through his connivance and instrumentality that in drawing up this agreement for some weeks | the drug was claudestinely removed under the and had been trying to get very good terms out of circumstances described in my last lotter from Messrs. Jardine. Matheson & Co., but they were one of the tea and not the opium godowns as I \$2,496,121.69 not quite agreed upon yet. He therefore did not afterwards learnt. Somehow or other-for vathink it would be prudent to submit the agree- rious versions of the detection of the criminals ment while it was in that very crude state, as he are affoat—the authorities in search of the culthought every clause would be picked to pieces : prit got scent of him, and immediately arrested what the directors proposed was quite fair to him and seized the stolen opium deposited in his both sides, and very much more in favour store, from which, however, 36 balls were missing. of the shareholders than the expiring agreement. Last time they had five or six meetings and they | the whole affair and got his accomplice also into 133.00 never got to the point. Mr. PURDON-I do not understand the tran-

saction as it is, and when the directors have do-

finitely concluded the business with Messre. Jar-

dine, Matheson & Co. they could submit it to the shareholders, who I think would like it, The CHAIRMAN-Since Mr. Westall has resumed his seat I have been informed by the few days ago. This time the necturnal visitors directors that they will have great pleasure in could lay their hands upon no better commodity drafting the agreement first and submitting it than the beaucakes which were stored there in 834.60 to the shareholders afterwards. I may say that great number and from which a few were rewill not be here as regards the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, but as representing Messrs, Jardine, Mutheson & Co. (Laughter). The following resolution was then adopted-That the directors be, and are hereby empowered. to draft an agreement for the continuation of the working of the Associated Wharves from the lat | would not scruple as to the means they resort to of July, 1887, in conjunction with Messra. Jardine, Matheson & Co., on the basis of an equal division of the net earnings, and to submit the same for piculs was effected on board the Douglas steamer The annual general meeting of the shareconfirmation by the shareholders of the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co. at a special meet-

> The election of auditors was then proceeded with There were five candidates proposed for the two vacancies and a ballot was taken, which resulted in the election of Mr. C. J. Dudgeon and Mr. A. Burman. This concluded the business.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

SETTLEMENT OF THE NAGASAKI AFFAIR.

Under date of Yokohama, 9th February, a

correspondent writes as follows ---You will be glad to hear the important news that the difficulty between China and Japan a ising out of the riot at Nagasaki on the 15th August, 1886, between Chinese men-of-war's men and the Japanese Police was settled yesterday at Tokyo. The matter, as you may be aware, was again entrusted to the Chinese Minister to Japan, H. E. Hsü Cheng-tsu, who entered into negotiations with Count Inouye, Japanese The existing agreement for working the Associated into negotiations with Count Inouye, Japanese Vharves coases on 30th of June next and the directors | Minister for Foreign Affairs, at Tokyo, and they recommend that a new agreement be made, based on initimately submitted the facts to the German an equal division of the net profits of the association. Minister, Dr. von Helleben, for arbitration. The between this Company and Messrs. Jardine, Matte- settlement now arrived at has, I understand, been made on the basis of the terms proposed by that gentleman. His Excallency Hau received a telegram yesterday from Peking containing the Im perial authorisation to settle the matter, and the agreement was signed shortly afterwards by both parties, and this cause of disagreement between the two Powers is thus happily disposed of.

I have not yet been able to ascertain the terms of the agreement, but I understand that the Japanese Government have consented to pay to China an indemnity of I believe about \$50,000 presumably as compensation to the families or relatives of the Chinese killed in the riot and the Chinese Government have agreed to hand back about \$15,000 of this amount, doubtless as solatium to the relatives of the Japanese who fell in the affray. This is all I have been able to gather, but I believe these are the principal terms, and that they are about correct.

pay all the Hospital expenses of the wounded Chinese. Count Inouyé, it seems, first proposed Minister made some other demands, which eventually were conceded. The latter then telegraphconclude a settlement and did so.

February contains the following announcement :- "With reference to the brawl which securred on August 15th between Chinese man-of-Shanghai Tis. 585,19226 | war's men and Japanese constables at Nagasaki. the Governments of the two Empires despatched Special Commissioners to that place to investigate the circumstances of the affair. But the 71,700,00 conference of the Commissioners were suspended 200,000,00 on the 16th of November of the same year. 15,889.75 Subsequently, negotiations were carried on between the Japanese Minister of State for Shanghai Tis. 585,19226 Foreign Affairs and the Chinese Minister Plenipotentiary in Tokyo. On the 8th instant both sides came to an agreement that the trial of the persons concerned in the brawl should be. conducted in the regularly constituted courts of ment of association terminates on the 30th June their respective nationalities, according to the laws of each empire, and that on neither side would the Government interfere in any way with verse. During the time of that association, the these judicial proceedings."

HONGKONG.

Alice Memorial Hospital was opened for the re- cleared off. What with the Chinese New Year ception of patients on the 16th February. The and the heavy fall of snow, business of all kinds Legislative Council met on the 18th, when the is quite at a standstill, and provisions of all sorts Arms Bill and Triad Society Bill were consider- have gone up greatly in price, so that the poor ed in Committee. The annual meeting of the people are in great straits, there being little or Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limit nothing in the market. Traffic on all the ed was held the same afternoon, and after a routes leading to this place is so blocked that It rather long discussion the report and accounts provisions cannot come in. The streets are very seemed to him very extraordinary of the directors were adopted. The Criminal Sessions were held much encumbered, half of their width being on the 18th, when there were only two cases for | piled up with snow banked from three to seven trial. A list of printed questions, 105 in feet high. The price of coal has also gone up, number, have been issued by the Land Commis- the supply on shore being nearly exhausted and

sure it would not be a loss for long, and had very George Phillippo, the beloved and respected severe weather.—Mercury Correspondent. little doubt that the Ningpo Wharf would pay Chief Justice, will depart from here in April next for England on a year's leave. Intelligence Mr. Jaques said it seemed to him that in all has been received, from Yokohama, of the settlesuch cases it would be better if the shareholders ment of the Nagasaki trouble between China and were brought a little more in contact with the Japan by the conclusion of an apreement signed directors. There had been too much stand off in Tokyo on the 8th February. Naws has been man barque Hammonia, which was wrecked some between them, and he thought it was only fair telegraphed by Reuter of the death of Sir George that the shareholders should know what the Strahan, Governor-elect of Hongkong. We hear that His Honour the Chief Justice wrock which still remain there will be removed to talk the matter over. Although the directors Sir George Phillippo, will go home on twelve

might have been perfectly right in doing what months' leave of absence in April. they did, he thought the price paid was a very The French ironclad frigate Turence, Captain exorbitant one to give. He thought the divid- Dupuis, flagship of Admiral Rieunier, arrived end was very much higher when he left in 1881, here on the 19th February from Shanghai, and and he thought also that the shares then reached exchanged salutes with the port. 300 tasls while to-day they were only 160. The It is notified in the Gosette that His Ex- From the collection of \$2,000, Tls. 200 were parchase of the Ningpo Wharf was like a cellency the Acting Governor has appointed, given to the Sisters of Charity, who bought rice mill stone round their necks. He had, however, provisionally, Mr. Robert Minto Jameson, M.A., and flour and distributed it amongst the poor and no doubt that everything would turn out all to be an Assistant Master in the Govern-needy; the balance, about \$1,700, was given to the

right. In the course of his remarks Mr. Jaques ment Central School.

also urged economy, and in reply to the The return of the births and deaths in the From Pao Ting-foo I learn that on account Chairman suggested the General Agents ahould Colony of Hongkong for the year 1886 by the of Their Majesties' visit to the Western Tombs 434,079.73 reduce their charges, as they had taken Tis. Registrar-General was laid on the table of the having been postponed to the second month. Legislative Council on the 18th February. The Li Hung-chang will not leave there for Peking The suggestion that the General Agents return shows that there were 178 births among on the 9th of the last moon, but he comes here should reduce their charges caused some amuse- the British and foreign community and 1,379 and then proceeds to Peking from this place. ment, and the CHAIRMAN said he thought it among the Chinese. There were 193 deaths | Our local banks, British German, and French would be very difficult to economise in that direct among the British and foreign community, and syndicates, are all busy trying to secure loans at 14,907 among the Chinese, those among the Peking for the Palace, Yellow River, Board of

The report was then adopted unanimously former being divided—British and foreign, 63; and Mesers, F. H. Bell, A. C. Westell, and A. Portuguese, 54; Indians, &c., 24; and non-re-McLeod, in conjunction with the senior repre- sidents, 52. The grand total was-Births. sentative of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. 1,557; deaths, 5,100. The annual death-rate perin Shanghai were elected directors for the cur. 1,000, according to the census of 1881 was-British and foreign community, 19.87; Chinese. Mr. BELL said that with reference to carrying | 32.56; whole population, 31.79. On the estimon the Wharf in association with Mesers, ated population at the present time, the deatle Jardire, Matheson & Co., the matter had been rate was-British and foreign, 18.54; Chinese, 28.65; whole population (181,702), 28.07. The McLeod, and himself, and under all the circum- deaths in different hospitals were-Italian Constances they considered the fairest arrangement | vent, 573; Asile de la Sta. Enfance, 822; Tung

CHINA.

AMOY. [FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.] 15th February, 1887.

So the daring robbary committed on the promises of Mossrs. Tait & Co. turns out after all Mr. Purpon said he would be willing to se. to be an ingeniously preconcerted plot. From what I could gather from a reliable source it Mr. WESTALL said it would relieve the direct transpires that one of the Chinese in the employ Since his arrest he has made a clean breast of the scrape. Both of them now await their trial, and from what we have seen of Chinese justice and its attendant horrors, we may rest assured that the punishment to be meted out to the delinquents will not be light.

Another robberv seems to have been committed in one of Messre. Boyd & Co.'s godowns a moved. This is suppresed to be the work of the lekin runners now out of employ, thanks to the authors of the Additional Article of the Chefoo Convention. These poor creatures have any. how to keep their body and soul together, and in the absence of any other employment they to attain this end. A seizure of opium amounting to about two

Fokien on her last trip here from Hongkong. The opinm was packed in small leather bags and concealed behind the panels and under the oushion in the saloon. But the vigilance of the preventive officers of the Customs was not to be so easily baffled; for they immediately managed to discover the drug so concealed, and as it belonged to "nobody" after its detection. as always happens in such cases, it went into the undisputed possession of the Customs. That this was the venture of the Chinese boys and other menials on board goes without saying.

SRANGHAI. The Shen-pao says that a traveller from An-

hwei reports that extensive coal mines exist in the mountains of that province, and the cost, which has been dug up by the natives there, proves to be fit for the use of steamers. It is expected to be worth while to work these mines with foreign machinery. The Daily News announces that Prince Ch'un

is going to pay a visit to Shanghai among other places, and learns that the Tao'thi has received a despatch from the Empress informing him of this fact, and ordering him to provide suitable accommodation for His Highmess. In accordance with these instructions, the Tao'tai is putting in order a Yamen near the Arsenal for the secommodation of the Prince, who is expected to arrive during the 3rd Chinese moon. It is reported by the Hu-pas that the expenses of Primes Ch'un's trip will be provided by the Imperial Maritime Customs. A Decree has been published in the Peking Gasette acknowledging the receipt of a report from the Board of Civil Office with regard to the penalty they find the Censor Ho Ch'ung-kuang

has rendered himself liable to, for making false representations in his father's interest with regard to a disputed case of water right in Kwangtang. Ho Ch'ung-kuang is sentenced to dismissai from the public service, and if he is reculred to give evidence or as a party to the sait. the Governor-General at Canton is authorised to send for him in the usual manner. Husug Yut'ang, a Compiler of the Haulin Yüan, who was also implicated, is to be fined nine months' pay. In a second letter dated Yokohams, 11th China Merchants Company entertained at din-The Daily News says :- "The Directors of the February, the same correspondent adds ner, at the Criterion Hotel, Shanghai, on the that the Japanese Government have engag d to 12th Fobruary—Sir Richard Rounie, Consul-General Hughes, General Konnedy, M. Dejara basis of agreement, whereupon the Chinese on, M. Arranger, Mr. W. V. Drummend, Mr. J. din. Dr. Focke, Mr. Kawakami, Mr. Ewen Camer-J. Keswick, Mr. Wm. Lung, Mr. G. H. Wheeler, Mr. F. D. Bush, M. Chapsal, Mr. G. Jamieson ed to Peking, and in reply got full powers to Mr. H. B. Morse, Mr. J. Henningsen, Mr. H. H. Joseph, Mr. G. Galles, Mr. H. E. Hobson, Mr. The Japanese Official Gasette of the 11th Carral, Mr. E. B. Drew, Dr. Hirth, Mr. J. Simpson, Mr. W. Judd, Mr. P. V. Grant, Admiral Ting, Rear Admiral Woo, the Director of the Arsenal, the Generals Commanding the troops at Shanghai and Woosung, Fung, Teotai, Kung, Taotai, Hu, Taotai, the Shanghai Magistrate, the Magistrates of the Mixed Court in the British and French Concassions and several other

> The present has been by far the severest winter we have had in this region for many years.

Chinese gentlemen. Forty seven in all sat down

to table, Mr. Ma Kien-chong taking the chair and

HANKOW.

It commenced snowing here on the 14th of Janu-

Mr. Shen the vice-chair.

ary, and continued daily, more or less, until the 28th, and it is estimated that at least twentyeight inches of snow fell in that time. The roofs of three godowns on the concession have fallen in from the heavy weight of snow on them; many of the poorer class of Chinese houses also have come to grief, and but for the precautions taken by their owners many more would have shared The past week has been protty lively. The the same fate. As the smow accumulated it was pleasure of having it. If it were not for that they sion for the consideration of landowners, solicitors, it is next to impossible to land any from the would have had a very respectable dividend of surveyors and others. A match at Football, Public boats. The lakes and shallow creeks have been about 12 per cent. But with that very heavy Schools v. Football Club, was played under Rug- covered over with ice several inches thick. It is by Rules on the 15th February. On the 16th said that there have been many boats and a large the final tie in the match for the Lawn Tennis amount of goods lost on the river that leads to The CHAIRMAN said the directors, by virtue of Championship was played, between Bruce- Teh Ngan-foo; the drift ice coming down upon Robertson and E. J. Coxon, and won by the them, and there being no shelter, the fleet was the Old Ningpo Wharf property in order to getrid latter, 3 sets to 1. A Cricket match, Hongkong v. nearly all destroyed and several persons drowned. Shanghai Past and Present, was played on the Reports from the outlying districts say that the 19th when the former won by 52 runs. A very fall of snow has been unusually heavy and give successful amateur concert took piece in the the depth at from three to five Chinese feet cause although they were only paying 31 per Lusitano Club on the night of the 16th, (doubtless, this has been considerably exaggeratcent, they had already paid 5 per cent as an in-ter in dividend, and as he had already remarked, of the orphans in the Italian Convent. The sufortunate way farers being caught in the snow they had paid an average of 11; per cent for Flower Show was held in the Botanio Gardens storm, losing their way and wandering into ten years. He knew of course that it was a very on the 17th and 18th February. It was not up ditches where they were drowned or became exunpleasant thing to see a loss upon any part of to the mark of former years, owing to the unfa- hausted and were frozen to death. Ichang and the company's working property, but he was vourable weather lately experienced. Sir Hunan seem to have been visited with equally

CHEFOO.

The Mercury says that the Chefco Customs authorities have blown up the wreck of the Gerthirteen feet of water, at ebb-tide over the spot where it was lying. The few portions of the at an early date. TIENTSIN.

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The Chinese Times says: - We have hitherto refrained from mentioning the railway schemes which are always in the air, for fear of giving currency to unfounded rumours or, possibly, of spoiling. by promature publicity, any bond fide plan that might happen to be in incubation. It has been circumstantially reported lately that the promoter of the line from Peking to Chang-chiawan, who was mentioned in our issue of the 11th December, is again in communication with the . Vicercy, having now, it is said, obtained the requisite guarantees for the provision of sufficient native capital, for the construction of the line, which was the only condition imposed on him by the Vicoroy. None verrons.

PEKING.

25th January. The Notherlands Minister gave a Christmas tree on the 17th to the foreign children of Perking. The youngsters, to the number of ever thirty, turned out, and were accompanied by their guardians, foreign or Chinese, and one young lady personated the wife of St. Nicholas capitally. The snow still covers our ground One of the representatives of a German Tientsin tirm is, we understand, up here at present, negociating a loan for the Governor of Shantung. Louns seem now-a-days to be in great farour yet come but is apparently not very distant.

with the Chinese. The day of railways has not I he proposed departure of the Belgian Minister in the spring will be a great loss to Peking society, for in a social and literary point of view he occupies a high position. In proportion to the smaliness of diplomatic work, the Ministers of the lesser Legations seem to devote their energies to literary matters and this is particularly true of the two neighbours, Belgium and Holland. The Emperor went to the Tang-sz on the last night of the year, as is the custom, to worship his ancestors.—Daily News Corresnon lent.

It isstrange (says the Chinese Times) how little we hear of politics in Poking. In London the news of what is passing in Downing Street coften comes first from Vienna or Berlin, so in Peking we learn from outside what is transpiring or has transpired within our walls. The Marquis Tseng has been an object of curiosity since he returned and took up his position at the Tsung-li Yamen: but so far he is not known to have made any decided move in any direction of progress. On the contrary, rumour assigns to him a very passive, if not an ultra-conservative THE NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE role, such as will inevitably disappoint the peoples and governments in Europe, who built 5 YEAR DIVIDEND POLICY extensive hopes on the enlightened liberalism of the Marquis. The truth probably is that, in order to accomplish anything at all, the Marquis must first go through a lengthened process of any 5 Year period, and receiving for his Policy a decolorization, so as to get rid of the foreign | cash surrender value together with his share of taint, and completely disnrm the censors and others who have been engerly watching to catch If death occur, the full amount of the Policy will him tripping. To be progressive eventually it be paid immediately on proof of death, together is necessary that the Minister becomes known as | with a Mortnary Dividend of 50 per Cent. of all an uncompromising conservative, and it need premiums received during the 5 Year period in therefore excite no surprise if he should even be reported from time to time as siding with the

TONQUIN

reactionaries.

HANOI.

Commandant Servières, who went from Caooperations. The enemy was put to flight, and crossed the frontier.

Nguyen-Han-Do, the First Minister of Aunam and the father-in-law of the King, has paid a visit to Hanoi as Ambassador of the King, conveying the compliments of the latter to M. Bihourd, the Resident-General. The visit is spoken of by the Harphong paper with much satisfaction as evidencing the loyalty of the King to the French.

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THE Steamship

FROM LONDON, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE. ATHAMPAGNE MONOPOLE THE Steamship

"GLENARTNEY. MONOPOLE RED SEAL (modium dry). having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods, the the exception of Opium, are being landed . their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned whence and/or from the wherves or boats telivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before I P.M. TO-DA I, the 18th instant.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 25th instant, will be subject to rent. No F :e Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hone long, 18th February, 1887.

UNION LINE. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

" VICTORIA." Captain Coundon, having arrived from the above | Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. to send in their Hills of Lading to the under- February, 1887. (Parcels are not-to be sent signed for countersignature and to take im- on board; they must be left at the Agency's mediate delivery of their Goods from alongside. Office.) Contents and value of Packages are Cargo impeding the discharge of the steamer will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense and no Fire Insurance will be effected.

All Claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 23rd in tant, or they will not be recognized. -- RUSSELL & Co., Hongkong, 16th February, 1887.

TOCONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO EX O. S.S. CO'S S.S. "PROMETHEUS," FROM LIVERPOOL. SHIPPING Orders must be obtained from the Undersigned not later than the 23rd inst., for shipment per steamer "HECTOR."

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 17th February, 1887. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "PROMETHEUS

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports. UARANTEED the very best Quality lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready HOLLAND GENEVER or GIN in Cases for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after of One Dozen or less, White Crystal Glass | the 18th inst. Goods undelivered after the 25th inst., will be subject to Rent.

Also GENEVER in Stone Bottles and BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 17th February, 1887. GUNS, RIFLES, REVOLVERS, CART-NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVI-GATION COMPANY, LIMITED FROM SOURABAYA, SAMARANG, BA

TAVIA, SINGAPORE AND SAIGON. THINE Company's Steamship "BANTAM." having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.'s West Point Godowns, whence delivery may

be obtained. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 23rd instant, will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, 16th February, 1887.

VFESELS ON THE PARTH. UNION LINE. FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ UANAL

THE Steamship "METAPEDIA," Captain Purvis, will be despatched for the above Port on or about TO-DAY, the 22nd instant. 🔒

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Hougkong, 8th February, 1897 DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW. I 1HE Company's Steamship "HAIPHONG." above Ports TO-MORROW, the 23rd inst.,

at DAYLIGHT. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., GILLOTT'S General Managers. Hongkong, 21st February, 1887.

FOR SAIGON. THE Steamship "DEUTEROS," Captain Luthjens, will be despatched for th

above Port TO-MORROW, the 23rd inst. For Freight or Passage, apply to SOY SHING, No. 96, Bonham Strand. Hongkong, 15th January, 1887. CRINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN. THE company's Steamship "CHEFOO, Captain Hughes, will be despatched as above

on FRIDAY, the 25th instant. For Freight on Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 16th February, 1887. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL: THE Company's Steamship

"ACHILLES." Hongkong 7.00 A.M. aptain Anderson, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 25th instant For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 19th February, 1887. FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE, AND HAM-BURG, VIA SUEZ CANAL. (Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERS AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, and BREMEN.) HE Steamship

> ·OLYMPIA.". Captain P. Moller, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the, 26th inst. For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co.,

Hongkong, 16th February, 1887. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY. (Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for NINGPO. CHEFOO, NEWCHWARG, TIENTSIN HANKOW, and Ports on the YANGTSZK.) TIHE Company's Steamship

For Freight or Passage, apply to COGNAC-The popular "4 Star" quality and BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. [390] HE Steamship Hongkong, 18th February, 1887. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, WHISKY SCOTCH, in Heart Shaped bottles, LIMITED. FOR PORT DARWIN, SYDNEY AND

above on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd March, at

Captain Batt, will be despatched as above on

SATURDAY, the 26th instant.

MELBOURNE. FITHE Company's Steamship "TSINAN." A. Hunt, Commander, will be despatched as

The attention of Passengers is directed to the For Invalids use, PORT & SHERRY-Very Superior and reliable. AMOROSO, MANZA. Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. NILLA. & PALE DRY SHEERY, distin- First-class Saloon and Cabins are situated forguished by Blue. Black, and White Seals, ward of the Engines. Second Class Passengers are berthed in the Poop. A Refrigerating CLARET, viz., Monton, Larose, St. Estephe, Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions will leave for the above places on FRIDAY, Medoc in Quarte & Pints. Need no recom- during the entire voyage. A duly qualified 4TH MARCH, AT DAYLIGHT. Surgeon is carried. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. For Prices apply to either of the above Firms Hongkong, 21st February, 1887.

TESSELS ON THE PERTH.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBUTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE. STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA. CO LOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MEDITERRANEAN, AND BLACK SEA PORTS. MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL

AND LA PLATA; LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, DUNKIRK, AND ANTWERP.

N TUESDAY, the 22nd February, at Noon, the Company's Steamship OCEANIEN," Commandant Didier, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, CARGO, will leave this Port for the above don as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in

transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon. Ports. Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested Specie and Parcels until 8 p.m., on the 21st required. -For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX. Hongkong, 11th February, 1887. OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM

SHIP COMPANY: TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS above Port, and will have quick despatch. TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO. CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA: AND EUROPE;

VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS. [340 ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS

FIHE Steamship "BELGIC" will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokobama, on SATURDAY, the 26th instant, at THREE P.M. Connection being made at Yokohama with All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day pre- Port, and will have quick despatch. vious to sailing.

RETURN PASSAGES.—Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco Hongkong, 20th January, 1887. for China or Japan (or vice verse) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 % from Return Fare: if re-embarking within one year, an allowance of 10 "/ will be made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a Discount of 25 % from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fores from Thina and Japan to Europe. Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-

tined to Ports beyond San Francisco should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to FFIHE 3/3 A I. I. American Barkthe Collector of Customs, San Francisco. For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company. No. 50A, Queen's Road Central. C. D. HARMAN, Agent Hongkong, 1st February, 1887. STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE. PENANG. -COLOMBO ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA. HBRALTAR, BRINDISI, ANCONA ${f venice}, {f PLYMOUTH}, {f ANDLONDON}:$ BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND **AUSTRALIA.** N.B.—Cabgo can be taken on turougu BILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS. MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAM-

BURG. NEW YORK, AND BOSTON. SPECIE ONLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH.

NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship Port, and will have quick despatch. "THAMES," Captain W. A. Seaton, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be desnatched from this for LONDON via BOMBAY and SUE? CANAL on TUESDAY, the let March, at FOUR P.M. Cargo will be received on board until TEN A.M. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until TEN A.M., on the day of sailing.

Silk and Valuables for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo; Tes and General Cargo Captain S. Ashton will be despatched for the for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct route via Colomba. For further particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE apply to the PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong. The Contents and Value of Packages are re-

ordered to be declared prior to shipment Shippers are particularly requested to not the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading. E. L. WOODIN. Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1887. U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAILSTEAMSHIPCOMPANY THROUGH TO NEW YORK, YM OVER LAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer "CITY OF San Francisco, vià Yokohama, on WEDNES-DAY, the 9th March, at THERE P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States and Europe. Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities

of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to portin Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Stoomers. Through Passage Tickets granted to England France, and Gormany by all trans-Atlantic lines. RETURN PASSAGES -- Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at Ban Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 % from

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C. D. HARMAN, Agent. Hongkong, 14th February, 1887. "SHIRE" LEVE OF STEAMERS. FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

No 50A, Queen's Road Central.

"CARDIGANSHIRE," P. B. Wilkins, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Hongkong, 19th February, 1887.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA). THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "THIBET." E. L. WOODIN. Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1887.

-STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA NAGA.

SAKI AND KOBE.

VESSELS ON THE BERTA STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

/ THE P. &O. S.N. Co.'s Steamship "COROMANDEL. will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the outward English Mail. E. L. WOODIN, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1887. FOR HAMBURG, DIRECT. THE 3/3 L II Gorman Bark

"ANNIE." Kröncke, Master, will lead here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, 29th January, 1887. FOR NEW YORK. and FIHE 3/3 L II Norwagian Bark

"PROFESSOR MOHN," Cargo and Specie will be registered for Lon- O. Jenses, Master, will load here for the For Freight, apply to PUSTAU & Co. Hongkong, 1st February, 1887.

> "SARAH HIGNETT," Morgan, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. "." For Freight, apply to

> FOR SAN FRANCISCO. TIHE 3/3 A 1/1 American Ship H Merriman, Master, wi'l load here for the

Hongkong. 8th Jaunary, 1887. FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG." THE 3/3 A. I.I. Italian Back "ERMINIA C."

V. Rocio, Master, will load here for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1887. FOR NEW YORK. FIRE 3/3 L II American Bark "EDWARD KIDDER." address in full; and same will be received at the Griffin Master, will lead here for the above

> For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co. FOR VICTORIA (V.I.) THE 3/3 A I. I. American Shin "Enos soule."

For Freight, apply to MELCHERS & Co. Hongkong, 21st January, 1887. FOR VICTORIA, B.C.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1887. FOR HONOLULU. FITHE 3/3 A. I. I. American Barkentine

Port, and will have quick despatch: For Freight, apply to GONSALVES & Co. Hongkong, 8th February, 1887.

HE 100 A I British Ship "BRYNHILDA," THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM R. Meikle, Master, will load here for the above For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, 10th January, 1887.

THE 3/3 L. I.I. Am. Bark "COLOMA," C. M. Noyes, Master, will lead here and will have quick despatch.

MELCHERS & Co.

MAIIS TXFFCIED.

THE INDIAN MAIL. The Indo-China steamer Wingsang, with the Indian mail, left Singapore on the 16th, and may be expected here on or about the 22nd instant.

THE ENGLISH MAIL. The P. & O. steamer Coromandel, with the English mail of 21st ultimo, left Singapore at S a.m. on the 18th, and may be expected here on the evening of the 23rd or morning of the 24th

weig, with the German mail of Berlin 25th January, left Singapore at 5 p.m. on Sunday, the 20th, and may be expected here on or about the 26th instant. This packet brings replies to

Singapore on the 13th, and is now due. The Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's steamer Thisbe eft Singapore on the morning of the 13th, and The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Hector left Singapore on the 17th, and is due here on the 24th

The Postal Guide for 1886, revised to date will be found in the Daily Press Directory, p. 385 large edition, p. 701 small edition. This is the only authorised complete Summary of

connection with this paper is the one published A MAIL WILL CLOSE. For Amoy and Shanghui .- Per Telamon, today, the 22nd inst., at 3.30 P.M.

inst., at 500 P.M. For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.-Per Haiphong, to-day, the 22nd inst, at 5.00 P.M. For Yokohama and Kobe, -- Per Menzaleh, today, the 22nd inst., at 5.30 P.M. For Shanghai.-Per Canton, to-morrow, the 29rd inst., at 10.30 A.M. For Singapore -- Per Olympia, on Saturday the 26th inst., at 1.30 P.M. For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yekohama.-Per

The French Contract Packet Oceanism will be despatched TUESDAY, on the 22nd instant, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe and places beyond, vii Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, the Australasian Colonies, Pondichery, Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius, Egypt, Malta, and The usual hours will be observed in closing

Wyndham Street, Hongkone.

above Port, and will have quick despatch. FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG. THE 3/3 L II American Ship

Hongkong 25th January, 1887.

For Freight, apply to MELCHERS & Co.

Y. T. Soule, Master, will load here and wil have quick despatch.

"ESCORT."

Captain Waterhouse, will lead here for the

above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to GONSALVES & Co

" HATTIE N. BANGS," Captain Baugs will load here for the above

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

FOR PORTLAND (OREGON.)

RUSSELL & Co.

For Freight, apply to Hongkong, 21st December, 1886.

THE GERMAN MAIL. The Norddeutscher Lloyd's steamer Braunsch-

letters dated Hongkong 21st December. STEAMERS EXPECTED. The Shire Line steamer Broconshire left

The China Shippers' M. S. N. Co.'s steam r Ningchow left Singapore on the 18th, and is due here on or about the 24th instant.

JOST-OFFICE NOTICES.

The authorised List of Mails issued in

For Saigon.-Per Protos, to-day, the 22nd in t., at 4.30 P.M. For Shanghai. Per. Ozus, to-day, the 22nd

Thibet, on Thursday, the 3rd March, at 5.00 P.M. MAILS BY-THE FRENCH PACKET.

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